**Infection Prevention & Control**

**Annual Statement – Framfield House Surgery**

**2025**

**Infection Control Leads:**

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**Practice Manager:**

Julie Giles

**Vision Statement:**

We are dedicated to ensuring our surgery is a safe and clean environment for our patients and staff.

All of our staff are committed to keeping our premises clean and well maintained.

Our GPs and nursing staff follow our Infection Control Policy to ensure the care we deliver and the equipment we use is safe.

This annual statement will be generated each year in accordance with the requirements of the 'Health & Social Care Act 2008'.

To ensure we maintain the highest standards;

* The premises and equipment are maintained to the highest standard
* Staff receive annual updates and training on cleanliness and infection control
* Carry out infection control audits to ensure our procedures and policies are implemented and working
* Review our policies and procedures annually to ensure they meet national guidance
* Use disposable materials for items such as couch rolls and curtains in all consulting rooms to minimise the risk of infection
* Make Alcohol Rub gel available throughout the building
* Encourage staff and patients to raise any issues or concerns relating to cleanliness and infection control

**Cleaning**

The cleaning staff work to a structured cleaning schedule and the daily cleaning of the surgery is contracted to a company who follow national NHS guidance.

**Training**

All clinical & non-clinical staff complete annual training in Infection Prevention & Control. We run clinical and non-clinical Education Meetings annually for all staff to attend.

**Audits**

Annual audit and all actions completed;

* Damaged flooring replaced and as flooring needs replacing carpets will be replaced with wipe able flooring.
* Limescale cleaning across the surgery.
* Handwashing signage in all handwashing areas.
* Cleaning company to complete cleaning schedules / checklists.
* Examination couch repaired

Handwashing audits & regular spot checks completed.

**Significant Events**

We investigate all significant events in detail to see what can be learnt and to indicate changes that might lead to future improvements. All significant events are reviewed and learning cascaded to all relevant staff.

In the past year there has been 1 significant event raised that related to infection control.

**Risk Assessments & Checks**

Risk assessments are carried out so that best practice can be established and then followed. In the last year the following risk assessments were carried out / reviewed;

* Legionella Risk Checks – Monthly
* Immunisations – We take part in the National Immunisation campaigns for patients and offer in house vaccinations and via home visits.

We keep a log of our staff vaccinations to make sure all staff are up to date.

* Curtains – All clinical rooms will have the disposable curtains replaced every 6/12 months.
* All carpets are cleaned professionally annually.
* All clinical rooms have handwashing sinks with relevant signage.

**Policies**

All Infection Prevention & Control related policies are up to date and are reviewed annually.

Policies relating to Infection Prevention & Control are available to all staff via TeamNet. Any changes to these policies are circulated to staff accordingly.

**Review Date**

31/07/2026