

Annual Infection Control Statement

Purpose: To demonstrate that Cogges Surgery is compliant with practice on infection prevention and cleanliness.

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Responsibilities of Infection Control Lead:

- To maintain systems that manage and monitor the prevention and control of infection by adhering to relevant policies, designed for the individual's care and provider organisations that will help to prevent and control infections.
- To monitor and ensure a clean and appropriate environment that facilitates the prevention and control of infections.
- To provide suitable accurate information on infections to service users and their visitors.
- To provide suitable accurate information on infections to any person concerned with providing further support, nursing or medical care in a timely fashion.
- To ensure that people who have or develop an infection are identified promptly and receive the appropriate treatment and care to reduce the risk of passing on the infection to other people.
- To ensure all staff, and those employed to provide care, in all settings are fully involved in the process of preventing and controlling infection.
- To ensure as reasonably practicable that care workers are free of and are protected from exposure to infections that can be caught at work and that all staff are suitably educated in the prevention and control of infection associated with the provision of health and social care.
- To ensure that there is adequate isolation facilities within the premises.
- To know how to access laboratory support as appropriate.

Significant events relating to infection control:

There have been no significant outbreaks of infection over the past year

Infection Control Audit / Risk assessments:

Annual infection control audit completed May 2022

Action plan with deadlines completed

Instruction/ Information/Training received:

Public Health England guidelines followed in respect of Covid 19

Mandatory training is complete for all clinical staff in respect of infection control

Review of guidelines/procedures/policies:

Agenda items on clinical and staff meetings regularly address any infection control concerns.

Members of staff are encouraged to give their opinions/feedback.