INFECTION CONTROL ANNUAL STATEMENT 2016

Purpose
The annual statement will be generated yearly. It will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and action taken (these will be reported in accordance with our Significant Event procedure)
- The annual infection control audit summary and actions undertaken
- Details of staff training (both as part of induction and annual training) with regards to infection prevention & control
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines.

Background:
The Whitley Villa Surgery lead for Infection Prevention /Control is Alison Allder - Nurse who is supported by:

Lorraine Watkinson, General Manager

This team keep updated with infection prevention & control practices and share necessary information with staff and patients throughout the year.

Significant events:
In the past year 15/16 there have been no significant events that related to infection prevention & control.

Audits:
Infection control audits were undertaken by:
Michaela Hooper (Infection & Prevention Control Nurse for Berkshire West CCG’s)
Alison Allder & Lorraine Watkinson on the 16th August 2016
Alison Allder & Lorraine Watkinson on 8th November 2016

Actions from this included:
Relevant staff immunisation records updated
Toys removed from both waiting rooms
Cloth Pillows removed from clinical rooms and replaced with wipeable pillows
Curtains removed and replaced with roller blinds
Plugs and nailbrushes removed from sinks
All sinks and surrounding worktops resealed
Old clinical waste bins replaced
Full review of the cleaning plan held with Minster – to include cleaning of portable fans.
Replacement of 3 patient examination couches
Replacement of hand pump soap and alcohol dispensers with new touch free dispensers in all relevant areas.

November 2016
Replacement of carpet in downstairs waiting room, corridor and converted clinical room to hard flooring – Works identified and scheduled for completion May 17

**Staff training:**

Alison Allder continues to provide Infection, Prevention and Control induction training to all new starters and annual infection control updates to all staff.

The Infection Control Leads are due to attend their updates on the 24th November 2016 for their role, the training is provided by Michaela Hooper (the Infection Prevention & Control Nurse for Berkshire West CCGs.)

**Infection Control Advice to Patients:**

Patients are encouraged to use the alcohol hand gel/sanitiser dispensers that are available throughout the Medical Centre/Surgery.

There are relevant posters displayed in the Surgery – currently Norovirus, Influenza. These are reviewed on a regular basis

**Policies, procedures and guidelines.**

Documents related to infection prevention & control are reviewed in line with national and local guidance changes and are updated 2-yearly (or sooner in the event on new guidance).