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 University of Reading Medical Group lead for Infection Prevention /Control is:

- Alison Allder - Nurse

who is supported by:

- Charlene Morgan – Nurse 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 2019/2020 there has been no significant events that are related to infection prevention & control.

Audits:

Infection control audits were undertaken by:
Alison Allder & Charlene Morgan on the 15 and 22 April 2020.

Actions from this included:

- Improved systems for checking consumables
- Repairs to handwashing facilities

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. 95% of staff have completed an infection control update training session in the last 12 months.

**Infection Control Advice to Patients:**

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

**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 of new guidance).