

# Infection Prevention and Control

## CQC inspection preparation Pack for General Practice

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**Objective:** The aim of this comprehensive innovative Pack is to assist you with the evidence required to demonstrate compliance with *The Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of Practice on the prevention and control of infections (The Code of Practice)* and CQC requirements. The Pack has been produced by a skilled NHS Community Infection Prevention and Control Team who have experience of working with CQC Inspectors.

**Overview:** An extensive ring bound folder with 5 sections and over 30 documents and a supply of colour printed resources. It is designed to help you provide the evidence required to demonstrate compliance with *The Code of Practice* and contains essential compliance resources.

- Information on the key infection prevention and control documents from the Care Quality Commission, NHS England and NHS Improvement, e.g. the new National Standards of Healthcare Cleanliness 2021 (including examples of adapted audit tools for General Practice), *The Code of Practice*.
- An in-depth tool to guide you through the complex process of ensuring you have the correct documented evidence and actions required to demonstrate infection prevention and control compliance against each of the 10 criterion of *The Code of Practice*.
- A range of essential IPC audit tools and competency assessment records, e.g. the annual IPC Audit Tool of compliance, Aseptic technique, Hand hygiene, Personal protective equipment, Safe management of care equipment and Safe management of the care environment.
- A supply of over 15 key posters, notices, flow charts and leaflets, e.g. Hand hygiene, Bare Below the Elbows, Breach of hygiene, National colour coding poster for cleaning materials, PPE, Sharps/inoculation incident procedure and Waste stream guide.
- Other infection prevention and control information, e.g. Declaration of contamination status Form, Inter-Healthcare Infection Control Transfer Form, Job description addendum.



CQC inspections are essential to ensure that organisations are compliant with *The Code of Practice* and ensure that patients receive safe and effective care.

The most important outcome of effective infection prevention and control is:

**Preventing healthcare associated infection = Patient safety**