

# Infection Control – Annual statement 15th Septemeber 2025

This statement reviews the know infection transmission events at Identity Individual Dental Care. It summarises the audits undertaken and the subsequent actions, the assessment of risks for the prevention and control of infection, the training received by staff, and the review and update of infection control policies, procedures and guidance.

In compliance with good practice on infection prevention and control, a copy of this statement is available to patients on request.

#### **Known infection transmission events**

There have been no known infection transmission events at the dental practice.

#### **Audits**

Infection control audits are conducted every 6 months using the Department of Health/Infection Prevention Society Infection Control Audit tool. The results of these audits are available from the practice manager. This was conducted on the 9th June 2025 and showed no futher action needed.

#### **Risk Assessments**

The COSHH risk assessment, Leigonella risk assessment and health and safety risk assessment identify the possible risks of infection and the controls in place to manage risks. The practice infection control policy and associated protocols and procedures further describe how we manage the risk of infection. This were last carried out;

Leigonella Risk Assessment - 06/10/24 - No further action required

Health & Saftey Risk assesment - 21/5/25 - No further action required

Infection prevention control audit - 9/6/25 - 100% no further action needed

Practice COSHH Assessment - continuous

Each member of staff is aware of the risk assessments and audits and has received a copy of the practice infection control policy and understand the need for it to be followed routinely.

### **Staff Training**

All members of the team are encouraged to follow their continuing professional development requirements for disinfection and decontamination. The practice provides update and refresher training on infection control procedures adopted by the practice to ensure that all members of the team are aware of and work to current recommendations. Training in the infection control procedures for the practice is included in the practice induction for new staff.

Infection Prevention Control (IPC) lead for the practice is - Donna Andrews - Practice manager

Infection Prevention Control (IPC) deputy is Anna Tee - Dental Nurse



## Review and update of policies, procedures and guidance

The practice policies and procedures are reviewed on a regular basis and at least annually to ensure their currency. The practice infection control policies and procedures were reviewed and updated where necessary to reflect Depart of Health England guidance.

Date for review 15-9-26