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## **PML INFECTION CONTROL ANNUAL STATEMENT (March 2017)**

### **Purpose:**

This annual statement summarises:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken (these will have been recorded in accordance with our Incident procedure)
- Details of any infection control audits undertaken and actions taken.
- Details of any infection control risk assessments undertaken.
- Details of staff training.
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

### **Background:**

Overall accountability for Infection Control within PML lies with the PML Board. The responsibility in the organisation for all services is delegated to senior nurse and Community Matron (Jo Cowley) on behalf of the Board.

### **Incident reporting:**

In the past year there has been one incident raised by a Banbury Health Centre patient relating to infection control who noted the practice nurse did not wear gloves to carry out phlebotomy. As a result the Phlebotomy policy is being reviewed included in the March Governance agenda. Changes to the policy will be included in the Spring Clinical Newsletter.

### **Audits:**

An infection control audit has been carried out by the clinical lead in each service: Banbury Health Centre, Hospital at Home, Collaborative Care Team, Primary Care Visiting Service and the Witney and Bicester Neighbourhood Access Hubs. Action plans for each service are in place.

### **Risk Assessments:**

The clinical leads used an audit tool for a full clinical infection control inspection. The audit included:

**Section 1:** Management

**Section 2:** Clinical Practices

**Section 2.1:** Vaccine Control

**Section 3:** Hand Washing

**Section 4:** Waste Disposal

**Section 5:** Clinical Equipment

**Section 6:** Sharps Handling and Disposal

### **Staff Training:**

Clinicians undertake Infection Protection Control level 2

Non-clinicians undertake Infection Protection Control level 1