

Appendix 9 – Documents underpinning and supporting the Infection Control policy

Infection Prevention and Control Annual Work Programme

The NHS Fife Infection Prevention and Control Annual Work Programme will be a single programme covering NHS Fife which will set out measurable goals to address priorities and progress through the Health and Social Care Partnership.

The Infection Prevention and Control Annual Work Programme will be:

- developed between December and March each year to be implemented from April
- produced after full consultation with stakeholders
- produced with support of the NHS Fife Executive Directors' Group (EDG)
- produced with support of the senior managers and signed off by the Chief Executive
- an agenda item on the ICC
- endorsed by the ICC
- direct the review of relevant policies and operating procedures
- function as a quality improvement programme

The Infection Prevention and Control Annual Report

The annual report: -

- is developed between December and March of each year
- reports against the previous year's Infection Prevention and Control Annual Work Programme
- reports against the Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Standards (2015) and Healthcare Associated Infection and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Policy Requirements DL (2019) 23
- is forwarded to the Clinical Governance Committee
- is forwarded to the Chief Executive for sign off

The National Infection Prevention and Control Manual

The NIPCM was first published on 13 January 2012, by the Chief Nursing Officer ([CNO \(2012\)1](#)), and updated on 17 May 2012 ([CNO\(2012\)01-update](#)).

It is evidence-based and is intended to be used by all those involved in care provision.

- The NIPCM is mandatory for NHS Scotland.
- In all other care settings to support health and social care integration, the content of this manual is considered best practice.
- The [Infection Prevention and Control Manual for Older People and Adult Care Homes](#) is mandatory within the care home setting.
- It should be adopted for all infection prevention and control practices and procedures.