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Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Statement

In accordance with the Health and Social Care Act 2008 Code of Practice on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance.

Date: 06/11/2026
Review date: November 2027
Person responsible for IPC: Jade Davies
Manager: Brittany Burgunder

Purpose and Commitment

Parrys Lane Dental Practice is committed to providing high-quality dental care in a clean, safe, and hygienic environment. We fully comply with the **Health and Social Care Act 2008 Code of Practice** to ensure the prevention and control of infections for patients, staff, and visitors.

We continually review and improve our infection prevention and control (IPC) measures to minimise the risk of healthcare-associated infections.

Leadership and Accountability

- The **Registered Manager** has overall responsibility for infection prevention and control within the practice.
- The **Infection Prevention and Control Lead (IPC Lead)**, Jade Davies is responsible for overseeing the implementation of IPC policies, staff training, and audit processes.
- All staff members are responsible for following IPC procedures and maintaining high standards of hygiene.

Policies and Procedures

We maintain up-to-date, evidence-based policies and procedures in line with national guidance, including:

Polices:

- Infection prevention control
- Sharps inoculation injury
- Waste disposal
- Hand Hygiene
- Blood and infected material spillage
- PPE policy

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Procedures:

- Decontamination of Dental Instruments
- Transporting of Instruments Within the Practice
- Clinical Waste Management

Staff Training and Education

- All staff receive IPC induction training and annual updates.
- Training records are maintained and monitored by the practice manager.
- Regular audits and feedback sessions are conducted to reinforce best practice.

Risk Assessment and Audits
Routine **risk assessments** are carried out to identify and mitigate infection risks.

Annual risk assessments:

- COSHH
- Non-Responder to Hep B Vaccine
- Infection Control
- Legionella
- Sharps

Regular **infection control audits** are completed, and actions are recorded and followed up.

- COSHH **(Annually)**
- Hand hygiene **(6 monthly)**
- Hazardous waste **(6 monthly)**
- Infection prevention & control **(6 monthly)**
- Infection Prevention Spot check **(6 monthly)**
- PPE **(Annually)**
- Sterilisation Process **(Annually)**

Findings from audits are reviewed during staff meetings to promote continuous improvement.

Significant Events
There have been no significant events reported regarding infection control issues in the period covered by this report.

Decontamination and Sterilisation

- All reusable instruments are decontaminated in line with **HTM 01-05** guidance.
- Sterilisation processes are validated, and logs are maintained for each cycle.
- Single-use items are disposed of safely after one use.

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Environment and Cleaning

- A written cleaning schedule is in place, covering clinical and non-clinical areas.
- The environment is visibly clean, well maintained, and regularly audited.
- Cleaning materials are colour-coded and stored appropriately.

Waste Management

- Waste is segregated, stored, and disposed of in line with **HTM 07-01** and local authority requirements.
- Sharps are disposed of safely in approved containers.
- All staff are trained in waste handling and disposal procedures.

Monitoring and Continuous Improvement

- IPC policies are reviewed annually or following significant changes in national guidance.
- Audit results, incidents, and staff feedback inform our continuous improvement plan.
- The practice demonstrates compliance during CQC inspections and internal reviews.

Statement of Compliance

Parrys Lane Dental Practice confirms compliance with the **Health and Social Care Act 2008 Code of Practice** and relevant Department of Health guidance. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards of infection prevention and control for the safety of all patients and staff.

Name: Brittany Burgunder
Role: Practice Manager
Date: 06/11/26
Signed: _____

Name: Jade Davies
Role: IPC Lead
Date:
Signed: _____

Reviewed: November 2026