

Infection Prevention & Control Rapid Self Audit Tool 2022 (Primary care version 2 July 2023)



Practice name:	
Practice Manager:	
Date of Audit:	
Audit Completed By:	
Date Audit Report Completed:	

Audit Scoring Key:			
Good Compliance	95 - 100%		
Action Required	80 - 94%		
Urgent Action/ Improvement Required	79% and below		

Standards Audited:	Current % score
Hand Hygiene	
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	
Environment	
Dirty Utility (Sluice)	
Domestic Room	
Equipment and Cleaning	
Departmental Waste	
Handling and Disposal of Linen	
Safe Handling and Disposal of Sharps	
Staff Knowledge of IPC	
Overall Score	

How to use the self-audit tool – please read prior to completing.

Self-assess against each of the audit standards placing a tick in the **Yes**, **No** or **NA** box. An easy to use scoring system allows you to highlight the percentage for each standard. The end columns are for you to record what action was taken and the date it was completed/anticipated completed. N.B. For questions answered "**NO**" you **must** complete the boxes named **Actions Taken** and **Date Action Completed**. Examples of this could be:

	Question	Yes	No	N/A	Action Taken	Date action completed
1	Are high and low surfaces free from dust and cobwebs etc.?		√		Issue addressed with cleaner, added to cleaning schedule	01/01/22
2	Is there a designated hand wash basin?	✓				
3	Do staff know what to do if they or a colleague sustains an inoculation injury?		✓		Education has been provided to staff	01/01/22

If the answer to any question is no, the action you have taken to rectify this must be documented in the Action Taken column.

How to work out the percentage score for each standard	How to work out the percentage overall score		
 Add the total number of Yes answers Divide by the total number of Yes and No answers, (do not include the N/A answers) Multiply by 100 to get the percentage. 	 Add together % score for each standard Divide by number of standards completed (do not include standards that were not audited) Example:		
Formula: Total number of Yes answers Total number of Yes and No answers X 100 = %	92+80+79 = 251 251/3 = 84% overall score		
	Standard 1 IPC Safety 92% Standard 2 Staff Knowledge 80% Standard 3 Personal Protective Equipment 79% Overall Score 84%		

1. Hand Hygiene

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Are appropriate hand hygiene facilities & resources available? (Including liquid soap and paper towels)?				
2	Are hand hygiene facilities in a good state of repair?				
3	Are hand hygiene facilities including dispensers for hand hygiene products clean?				
4	Do staff/patients have access to alcohol based hand gel containing at least 60% alcohol?				
5	Are wipeable hand hygiene posters displayed and available to staff and service users?				
6	Are staff bare below the elbows?				
7	Do staff know when to decontaminate their hands (5 moments etc) -question or observe staff? WHO PSP YOUR 5 MOMENTS POSTER A3 CHAIR WEB (wchc.nhs.uk)				

% Audit Score Hand Hygiene

2. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Is Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) available in key locations?				
2	Is PPE stored away from the risk of contamination?				
3	Do staff know how to apply and remove PPE correctly?				
4	Are staff observed using PPE correctly? (Applying and removing in correct order)?				

% Audit Score PPE

3. Environment

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Is the general environment and treatment room(s), including the floor, visibly clean?				
2	Is the general environment/ treatment room(s) clutter free?				
3	There is no visible damage to the environment?				
4	Are toilets areas clean?				
5	Are all toilet areas in good working order?				
6	Is the baby changing room, including floor, clean, in good condition and cleaning products available (to use in between use)?				
7	Are storage areas clean, cleanable and tidy?				
8	Are all surfaces smooth, impervious (for ease of cleaning)?				
9	Are all furnishings and fittings in a good state of repair?				

% Audit Score Environment

4. Dirty Utility (Sluice)

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Does the area have a dirty utility? (If no answer question 2 & 3 only)				
2	Is there a safe system for discarding all body fluids? (NB if the answer is No a risk assessment to completed)				
3	Is a there a body fluid spillage poster available?				
4	Is the area clean and clutter free?				
5	Are all items stored above floor level?				
6	Is there an equipment sink (not used for hand hygiene)?				
7	Are appropriate hand hygiene facilities & resources available (and in good state of repair)?				

% Audit Score
Dirty Utility (Sluice)

5. Domestic Room

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Does the area have a domestic room?				
2	Is the domestic room clean, cleanable and tidy?				
3	Is cleaning equipment stored appropriately?				
4	Is there a disposal unit for contaminated wastewater?				
5	Is there easy access to hand washing facilities?				
6	Is there evidence of up-to-date cleaning schedules that have been signed and dated?				

% Audit Score Domestic Room

6. Equipment/Cleaning

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Is shared equipment cleaned inbetween use?				
2	Is shared equipment included within a cleaning checklist?				
3	Does the setting have appropriate cleaning/disinfection products (or wipes) available?				
4	Are examination couches maintained, clean and included on a regular checklist in the setting (if appropriate)?				
5	Are pillows clean and in good condition and fully enclosed in impermeable covers (if applicable)?				
6	Are all disinfectants including spill kits locked away in a COSHH approved cupboard?				

% Audit Score Equipment/Cleaning

7. Departmental Waste

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Is the waste bin, clean, in good condition and hands free operated?				
2	Are all waste bins under 2/3 full and not overflowing?				
3	If required is there a wipeable poster available explaining the segregation of waste?				

% Audit Score
Departmental Waste

8. Handling and Disposal of Linen

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Is linen used in the area?				
3	If linen is used, is it stored off the floor, in a clean and cleanable area?				
4	Is used linen appropriately segregated and decontaminated either off site/or designated laundry area?				

% Audit Score
Handling and Disposal
of Linen

9. Safe Handling and Disposal of Sharps

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Are sharps containers assembled correctly?				
2	Are sharps containers stored appropriately and safety cover/temporary closure in place following use?				
3	Are sharps containers only used for the disposal of sharps i.e. no other waste?				
4	Is there a wipeable inoculation injury poster?				
5	Are sharp trays available, clean and in good condition?				
6	Do staff know what to do if they or a colleague sustains an inoculation injury?				
7	Are sharp safety devices in use?				

% Audit Score
Safe Handling and Disposal
of Sharps

10. Staff Knowledge of Infection Prevention and Control

Question Number	Statement	Yes/No/NA	Comments	Actions (To be completed by Practice Manager)	Date of Completion (To be completed by Practice Manager)
1	Does this GP practice have a designated person responsible for leading on IPC who completes audits and monitors regularly? e.g. GP setting manager?				
2	Are staff aware of how to contact the community IPCT?				
3	Are staff able to discuss and demonstrate appropriate PPE for particular precautions e.g. contact or droplet? (if applicable)				
4	Do staff undertake regular IPC training?				
5	Is there a process in place to review specimen results to ensure that patients are receiving appropriate antibiotic treatment?				
6	Are staff aware when not to undertake a dipstick urinalysis of urine for the diagnosis of UTIs?				
7	Are hydration posters/ leaflets visible and available for patients?				
8	Have practice audits been undertaken and improvements made? Are recent action plans with a proposed date in progress/completed?				
9	Are vaccines stored and managed in line with practice policy and national guidance?				

% Audit Score
Staff Knowledge of
Infection Prevention
and Control