



Community Infection Prevention and Control Policy for General Practice

(also suitable for adoption by other healthcare providers, e.g. Dental Practice, Podiatry)

Notifiable diseases

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NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

Introduction

Diseases that are notifiable to the Local Authority Proper Officers under the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 are listed below.

Registered medical practitioners have a statutory duty to notify the 'proper officer' at their local Council or UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) Team of suspected cases of certain infectious diseases.

2. **Notification form**

Complete a notification form immediately on diagnosis of a suspected notifiable disease. Don't wait for laboratory confirmation of a suspected infection before notification. www.gov.uk/government/publications/notifiablediseases-form-for-registered-medical-practitioners.

Send the form to the proper officer within 3 days, or notify them verbally within 24 hours if the case is urgent. Contact your local UKHSA Team for further quidance.

3. List of notifiable diseases

Diseases notifiable to local authority proper officers under the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 are listed at www.gov.uk/guidance/notifiable-diseases-and-how-to-report-them#listdiseases.

If in doubt, please telephone your local UKHSA Team.

Infection Prevention and Control resources, 4. education and training

The Community IPC Team have produced a wide range of innovative educational and IPC resources designed to assist your General Practice in achieving compliance with the Health and Social Care Act 2008: code of practice on the prevention and control of infection and related guidance and CQC registration requirements.

These resources are either free to download from the website or available at a minimal cost covering administration and printing:

- 27 IPC Policy documents for General Practice
- Preventing Infection Workbook: Guidance for General Practice
- IPC CQC inspection preparation Pack for General Practice
- IPC audit tools, posters, leaflets and factsheets
- IPC Bulletin for General Practice Staff

In addition, we hold educational study events in North Yorkshire.

Further information on these high quality evidence-based resources is available at www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk.

5. References

Department of Health and Social Care (Updated December 2022) *Health and Social Care Act 2008: code of practice on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance*

Legislation.gov.uk (2010) *The Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010* NHS England (Updated 2025) *National infection prevention and control manual (NIPCM) for England*

UK Health Security Agency (Updated April 2025) Notifiable diseases and how to report them