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World Hand Hygiene Day 2024

5th May 2024

Why is sharing knowledge about hand hygiene still so important

Because it helps stop the spread of harmful germs in health care

**SAVE LIVES
Clean Your Hands**

Hand hygiene saves millions of lives each year when performed at the right time by health and social care staff.

Hand hygiene resources available to download at www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk.

- Remember, cover wounds, cuts and grazes with a waterproof dressing.
- Being 'Bare below the elbows' facilitates good hand hygiene.
- Gloves are not a substitute for hand hygiene.
- Always decontaminate hands before and after glove use.
- Perform hand hygiene and change gloves between tasks.

What's new

- **Coming soon:** An updated set of IPC Policies for Domiciliary Care settings.
- IPC training event for Care Homes and Domiciliary Care: 30th September, 2024. A booking form can be downloaded at: www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk/events/

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