

# IPC Bulletin for GP Practice Staff

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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](http://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**

- IPC Audit Tools for General Practices can now be downloaded and completed electronically. Link available [here](#).
- IPC training event for General Practice and Dental Practice: 11th November, 2024. A booking form can be downloaded at: [www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk/events/](http://www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk/events/)

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