

Infection Prevention and Control

CQC inspection preparation Pack for General Practice

Objective: The aim of this comprehensive innovative Pack is to assist you with the evidence required to demonstrate compliance with the *Health and Social Care Act 2008: code of practice on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance (Code of practice)* and CQC registration requirements. The Pack has been produced by an experienced NHS Community Infection Prevention and Control Team who work closely with CQC Inspectors.

Overview: An extensive ring bound folder with 5 sections and over 30 documents, including a supply of colour printed resources. It is designed to help you provide the evidence required to demonstrate compliance with the *Code of practice* and contains essential compliance resources.

- Information on the key infection prevention and control documents from the Care Quality Commission, Department of Health and Social Care and NHS England, e.g. *Code of practice*, *National Standards of Healthcare Cleanliness 2021*
- An in-depth Assurance Tool to guide you through the complex process of ensuring you have the correct documented evidence and actions required to demonstrate infection prevention and control compliance against each of the 10 criterion of the *Code of practice*
- A range of essential IPC assurance tools and competency assessment records, e.g. SICPs Assurance: Annual IPC Audit Tool for General Practice, Aseptic technique, Hand hygiene and PPE.
- A supply of key posters, notices, flow charts and leaflets, e.g. Hand hygiene, Bare below the elbows, Breach of hygiene, National colour coding poster for cleaning materials, Sharps/inoculation incident procedure.
- Other infection prevention and control information, including the Inter-health and social care infection control transfer Form.



CQC assessment is essential to ensure that organisations are compliant with the *Code of practice* and ensure that patients receive safe and effective care.

The most important outcome of effective infection prevention and control is:

Preventing healthcare associated infection = Patient safety