



Healthcare Associated Infection and Antimicrobial Resistance and Prescribing Programme (HARP)

Healthcare Associated Infection (HCAI): Guidance Set

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This compendium contains a list of all current national policy, guidance and supporting materials on HCAI, produced in Wales by Public Health Wales, Welsh Government, and other stakeholders. This includes any additional HCAI guidance that has been developed within the UK or internationally by other agencies, that is applicable or helpful for use and/or reference within Welsh NHS and other care services.

This collection aims to provide NHS Wales and other care staff with an overview of up to date guidance from the organisations stated above.

No responsibility will be taken for any omissions to or the content of the compendium. Any questions regarding any of the guidance documents should be directed to the appropriate organisation.

NEW HARP Internet page:

<https://phw.nhs.wales/services-and-teams/harp/>

Information leaflets for patients in relation to HCAI and AMR:

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/888/page/95504>

Work Plan reference: HARP Work plan 2021 (Currently under review)

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KEY

ACDP	Advisory Committee on Dangerous Pathogens
ANTT	Aseptic Non Touch Technique
ASAP	Association of Safe Aseptic Practice
AWAGG	All Wales Antimicrobial Guidance Group
AWMSG	All Wales Medicines Strategy Group
AWPAG	All Wales Prescribing and Advisory Group
AWTTC	All Wales Therapeutics ND Toxicology Centre
ASAP	Association of Safe Practice
BSAC	British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy
CBRN	Chemical, biological, radiological & nuclear
CMO/CNO	Chief Medical/Nursing Officer (Wales)
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CQC	Care Quality Commission
DH	Department of Health (England)
DHSC	Department of Health & Social Care
EFA	Estates and Facilities Alert
EMCDDA	European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction
HARP	Healthcare Associated Infections & Antimicrobial Resistance & Prescribing Programme
HCAI	Healthcare Associated Infection
HCID	High Consequence Infectious Diseases
HBN	Health Building Note
HFS	Health Facilities Scotland
HIA	Health Impact Assessment
HIS	Healthcare Infection Society
HPA	Health Protection Agency (now PHE)

(W)HTM	(Welsh) Health Technical Memorandum
HPS	Health Protection Scotland
HPT	Health Protection Team (Wales)
HPSPN	Health Protection Services Prison Network
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
HSPC	Health Protection Surveillance Centre
IFH	International Scientific Forum on Home Hygiene
IPS	Infection Prevention Society
IVPDP	Immunisation and Vaccine Preventable Disease Programme
JI	Journal of Infection
JHI	Journal of Hospital Infection
MERS CoV	Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus
MDRO	Multi drug resistant organisms
MRSA	Meticilin resistant staphylococcus aureus
MHRA	Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency
NICE	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
NIPCM	National Infection Prevention and Control Policies (HPS, adopted by Wales 2018)
NHSI	National Health Service Improvement England
PHE	Public Health England
PHW	Public Health Wales
RCN	Royal College of Nursing
RCP	Royal College of Physicians
SACU	Specialised Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing Service
SSPFS	Shared Services Partnership Facilities Services
UWL	University of West London
WARP	Welsh Antimicrobial Resistance Programme
WCCTN	Wales Critical Care and Trauma Network
WHIASU	Wales Health Impact Assessment Support Unit

WHSSC	Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee
WG	Welsh Government

ANTIMICROBIAL PRESCRIBING

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020	A report from Public Health Wales Healthcare Associated Infection, Antimicrobial Resistance & Prescribing Programme (HARP team): Antibacterial Resistance in Blood Cultures – Wales 2019 Antimicrobial resistance and prescribing surveillance and reports - Public Health Wales (nhs.wales) Published 05 November 2020	HARP, PHW	Surveillance
2020 Update	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC): Antibiotic/Antimicrobial Resistance(AR/AMR) Updated 20 July 2020	CDC	Resources
2019	English Surveillance Programme for Antimicrobial Utilisation and Resistance (ESPAUR) Published November 2019	PHE	Surveillance
2019	Antibacterial Resistance In Urinary Coliforms – Wales 2009-2018. Published 08 October 2019	HARP, PHW	Surveillance
2019	A report from Public Health Wales Healthcare Associated Infection, Antimicrobial Resistance & Prescribing Programme (HARP team): Antibacterial Usage in Primary Care in Wales 2014/15-2018/19 (nhs.wales) Published 18 September 2019	HARP, PHW	Surveillance

2019	WHC/2019/019 AMR and HCAI Improvement Goals for 2019-20 Issued 08 July 2019	WG	Welsh Health Circular
2019	HM Government: Tackling antimicrobial resistance 2019-2024: The UK's five-year national action plan. Published 24 January 2019.	Gov.UK	National Action Plan
2019	HM Government: Contained and controlled – the UK's 20-year vision for antimicrobial resistance. Published 24 January 2019.	Gov.UK	Guidance Resource
2019 Update	Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)-GOV.UK Updated 31 July 2019	GOV.UK	Information and Resources
2018	PHW: Antimicrobial usage in Primary Care In Wales 2013-2017. Published 27 September 2018	PHW	Report
2018	PHW: All Wales Acute Hospitals Quality Measures Report 2013-2017. Point Prevalence Surveys of Antimicrobial Prescribing in Acute Hospitals in Wales. Published 28 August 2018	HARP, PHW	Quality Measures
2018	APPENDIX to the Report on Point Prevalence Survey of Antimicrobial Prescribing in Secondary Care in Wales 2017 Published 18 September 2018	HARP, PHW	Appendix to Report
2018	Antibacterial Resistance in Wales 2008-2017. Version 1. Published 01 June 2018.	HARP, PHW	Welsh data Resource

2018	NICE impact antimicrobial resistance. Published November 2018.	NICE	Report
2018	Antimicrobial Resistance- Eleventh Report of Session 2017-19. House of Commons Health and Social Care Committee. HC 962. Published 18 October 2018 by authority of the House of Commons.	House of Commons	Information
2018	National Point Prevalence Survey of Healthcare Associated Infection, Device Usage and Antimicrobial Prescribing 2017 – Wales Published 20 February 2018	HARP, PHW	Survey Report
2018	National Point Prevalence Survey of Healthcare Associated Infections, Device usage and Antimicrobial use in Long-Term Care Facilities 2017 (HALT-3) – Wales Published 05 April 2018	HARP, PHW	Survey Report
2016	Antibiotic Resistance Resource Handbook, Version 1.0, Edition 2. Updated March 2017	PHE	Best Practice Guidance
2016	Antimicrobial stewardship in wound care. A position paper from the British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy and European Wound Management Association Published 25 July 2016	BSAC & EWMA	Position statement Jnl Antimicrob Chemo
2016	WHC/2016/021: Antimicrobial Resistance Delivery Plan Published 01 April 2016	WG	Delivery Plan for Wales
2016	Together for Health – Tackling antimicrobial resistance and improving antibiotic prescribing: A delivery plan for NHS and its Partners Published 2016	WG	Delivery Plan for Wales

2014	Antimicrobial Resistance Global report on surveillance 2014 Published April 2014	WHO	Surveillance
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HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATED INFECTION (HCAI)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	Healthcare Associated Infections – NICE resources Updated 9 October 2020	NICE	Evidence based Guidance
2020 Revised	Recommended Time to Keep Individuals Away from Settings because of Common Infections (2019) (English) Yr amser a argymhellir ar gyfer cadw unigolion draw o leoliadau oherwydd heintiau cyffredin (2019) (Welsh) Revised 13 May 2020	HPT, PHW	Recommendations
2018	National Point Prevalence Survey of Healthcare Associated Infections, Device Usage and Antimicrobial Prescribing – 2017: WALES Published January 2018	HARP, PHW	Report
2018 Update	Healthcare associated infections (HCAI): guidance, data and analysis Updated 22 October 2018	PHE	Guidance

2017 Update	IPS/NHS Improvement: 4th edition of Saving Lives – High Impact Interventions November 2017: Prevention of ventilator associated pneumonia Prevention of infections associated with peripheral vascular access devices Prevention of infections associated with central venous access devices Prevention of surgical site infection Prevention of infections in chronic wounds Prevention of urinary catheter associated infections Promotion of stewardship in antimicrobial prescribing	IPS NHS Improvements	High Impact Interventions
2017 Update	Healthcare-associated infections: prevention and control in primary and community care NICE resources Updated February 2017	NICE	Evidence based Guidance

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2017	WHTM 04-01 - Supplement - Performance specification D08 thermostatic mixing valves (healthcare premises) (2017)	NHS Wales SSP	Welsh Best Practice Guidelines

2016	Safe water in healthcare premises (WHTM 04-01) WHTM 04-01 - Safe water in healthcare premises Part A: Design, installation and commissioning (2016) WHTM 04-01 - Safe water in healthcare premises Part B: Operational management (2016) WHTM 04-01 - Safe water in healthcare premises Part C: Pseudomonas aeruginosa – advice for augmented care (2016)	NHS Wales SSP	Welsh Best Practice Guidelines
2016	Welsh Health Building Note 00-09: Infection control in the built environment Published 2016	NHS Wales SSP	Welsh Best Practice Guidelines
2016	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools (Version 2) <i>(NB: IPS member sign-in required)</i> In and out patient areas/departments Mental Health/Learning Disabilities Day/Resource Centre/MH/LD Operating Theatres/Outpatients MH/LD/Vehicles Endoscopy – environment	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2014	Health Building Note 00-01- General design guidance for healthcare buildings (2014)	DH	Best Practice Guidance
2014	WHTM 00: Policies and principles of healthcare engineering Published 2014	NHS Wales SSP	Best Practice Guidance
2013	Infection Control in the Built Environment (HBN 00-09) Published 26 March 2013	DH	Best Practice Guidance
2013	Health Building Note 09-03: Neonatal units Published 2013	DH	Best Practice Guidance

2013 Amended	Ward Layouts With Single Rooms and Space For Flexibility – Discussion document, 2005. Status Note- amended March 2013.	NHS Estates England	Discussion document
2013	Legionnaires’ disease, the control of legionella bacteria in water systems: Approved Code of Practice and guidance on regulations L8 (Fourth edition) Published 2013.	HSE	Best Practice Guidance
2013	Health Building Note 04-01 Adult in-patient facilities Published 2013	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2013	HBN 4 IN-PATIENT ACCOMMODATION:OPTIONS FOR CHOICE Supplement 1:Isolation facilities in acute settings Amended 2013 from 2005 edition (Wales)	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2013	Health Building Note 04-01 Supplement 1 – Isolation facilities for infectious patients in acute settings <i>'This document part supersedes Health Building Note 04-01 Supplement 1 (2005), specifically the guidance therein that relates to rooms used for source isolation. It does not supersede the guidance on protective isolation.'</i>	DH England	Best Practice Guidance
2011	Guidelines on the facilities required for minor surgical procedures and minimal access interventions Published 20 December 2011	HIS / JHI	Best Practice Guidance
2009	Health Technical Memorandum 2009: Pneumatic air tube systems (Design considerations and good practice guide) (Management policy) <i>Status Note amended March 2013.</i>	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2009 Revised	National Standards for Cleaning in NHS Wales Revised October 2009	WG	National Standards

2007	Health Technical Memorandum 03-01 Specialised ventilation for healthcare premises Part A: Design and validation Health Technical Memorandum 03-01 Specialised ventilation for healthcare premises Part B: Operational management and performance verification	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2006	Department of Health & Social Care: Safe water in healthcare premises: HTM 04-01 . Updated 10 April 2017	DHSC WG/SSP	Guidance Best Practice
2005	Health Building Note 37 In-patient facilities for older people 2nd edition, 2005 . Amended March 2013	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2004	HBN 26 Facilities for Surgical Procedures: Volume 1	NHS Estates	Information

WASTE

2020	The Waste (Circular Economy) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	Legislation.gov	Regulations
2019 Amendment	The Hazardous Waste (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 2019	Legislation.gov	Regulations
2018	The Waste Enforcement (England & Wales) Regulations 2018	Legislation.gov .uk	Regulations
2017 Update	HPS: NIPCM- Chapter 1, SIPC 1.9: Safe disposal of waste . (1.9) Last update: 17 February 2017.	HPS NIPCM	Policy

2016 Update	Welsh Government: Hazardous Waste Regulations. Last update 10 March 2016.	WG	Regulations
2013	WHTM 07-01- Safe management of healthcare waste. Volume 1. Welsh edition published 2013.	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2013	Environment and Sustainability Health Technical Memorandum 07-07: Sustainable health and social care buildings. Planning, design, construction, Published 20 March 2013.	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2004	Total waste management. Best practice advice on local waste management for the NHS in England, 2004. Status in Wales – Information. <i>Status Note amended March 2013.</i>	NHS Estates	Information

DECONTAMINATION/SINGLE USE

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 Update	Device Bulletin Single-use Medical Devices: Implications and Consequences of Reuse, Version 2.2, Update October 2019.	MHRA	Guidance on Regulatory Compliance
2019 Update	Medical devices regulations: compliance and enforcement. Updated 26 February 2019.	MHRA	Information

2018 Update	<p>Welsh Government/ Shared Services Partnership: Publication Notice 18/03, 11 July 2018:</p>  <p>SSPFS WHTM 0101A WHTM 0101A PN 18 Publication Notice 18 03Welsh.docx</p> <p>WHTM 01-01: Decontamination of Surgical Instruments (medical devices) used in acute wards, Part A: Management and Provision Published 11 July 2016.</p>	SSPFS	Guidance
2018 Update	<p>Welsh Government/ Shared Services Partnership WHTM 01-01: Decontamination of Surgical Instruments (medical devices) used in acute wards, Part D; Washer disinfectors. Update 2018.</p>	SSPFS	Guidance
2017 Update	<p>WHTM 01-06 Welsh Health Technical Memorandum Decontamination of flexible endoscopes - Part A: Policy and management Update 2017.</p>	SSPFS	Guidance
2017 Revised	<p>WHTM 01-06: Decontamination of flexible endoscopes, Part E: Testing methods, revised 2017: <i>NB: WHTM 01-06 Part E (2017) replaces WHTM 01-06 Part D (2014)</i></p>	SSPFS	Guidance
2017	<p>NHS Scotland Guidance for Decontamination of Semi-Critical Ultrasound Probes; Semi-invasive and Non-invasive Ultrasound Probes 05 January 2017.</p>	NHS Scotland HPS	Standards
2017 Revised	<p>Guidance on Decontamination of equipment for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy: 2017 Edition (Report of the working party of the British Society of Gastroenterology Endoscopy Committee (BSG)). April 2017.</p>	BSG	Best Practice Guidance

2016	WHTM 01-01: Decontamination of medical devices within acute services Part B: Common elements July 2016	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2016	Management and decontamination of flexible endoscopes (HTM 01-06) 30 June 2016: Part A, B, C, D and E.	DH	Best Practice Guide
2016	WHC/2015/050 : Decontamination of medical devices: a development plan for healthcare organisations. Issue date: 6 January 2016.	WG	Welsh Health Circular
2015 Update	Managing Medical Devices: Guidance for healthcare and social services organisations Update 8 April 2015.	MHRA	UK Guidance
2014 Revised	WHTM 01-05 - Decontamination in primary care dental practices and community dental services . Revision 1: February 2014.	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance
2014	WHTM 01-01 – Decontamination of medical devices within acute services Part E: Alternatives to steam for the sterilization of reusable medical devices 2014	SSPFS	Wales technical guidance
2014	WHTM 01-06 - Decontamination of flexible endoscopes, Part B: Design and installation 2014 WHTM 01-06 Decontamination of flexible endoscopes, Part C: Operational management (Including guidance on non-channelled endoscopes and ultrasound probes) 2014	SSPFS	Wales Best Practice Guidance
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Endoscopy – decontamination	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2013	WHTM 01-01 - Decontamination of medical devices within acute service, Part C: Steam sterilization and steam for sterilization	SSPFS	Best Practice Guidance

2013	Guidance for purchasing Reusable Surgical Instruments in the NHS in Wales. Version 1 : 9 December 2013.	All Wales Decontaminati on Group	Best Practice Guidance
2013 Amended	A Guide To The Decontamination Of Reusable Surgical Instruments (2003) . <i>Status note amended March 2013.</i>	SSPFS	Guidance

Care of the deceased patient

2018	HSE: Managing infection risks when handling the deceased . First published July 2018.	HSE	Guidance
2018 Update	National Infection Prevention & Control Manual (NIPCM) NIPCM, Appendix 12: Mandatory – Application of transmission based precautions to key infections in the deceased: December 2018.	HPS NIPCM	Policy Guidance
2016 Update	National Infection Prevention & Control Manual (NIPCM) NIPCM, Chapter 2: Transmission based precautions: 2.5: Infection Prevention and Control during care of the deceased Update 30 May 2016	HPS NIPCM	Policy Guidance

CLINICAL PRACTICE

Aseptic Non-Touch Technique (ANTT)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 Update	Aseptic Non Touch Technique Resources for NHS staff Update April 2019.	ASAP	Best Practice Guidelines
2019 Update	Model Policy: Aseptic Non-Touch Technique (ANTT): A national, standardised approach to aseptic technique Revised FINAL V1: 04 July 2019	PHW	Best Practice Guidelines
2015	WHC/2015/026 : Aseptic Non Touch Technique (ANTT) Implementation of a standardised approach, June 2015. WHC/2015/047 : Aseptic Non Touch Technique (ANTT) Implementation of a standardised approach follow up, October 2015.	WG	Welsh Health Circular

Urinary Tract Infection (UTI), including Catheter Associated UTI (CAUTI)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019	HARP, PHW Website: Toolkits and Resources: Urinary Tract Infections (UTI) Resources and Tools Published 2019	HARP, PHW	Resources
2019 Update	PHE: UK Standards for Microbiology Investigations of urine: B 41, Issue number 8.7. Update: 11 January 2019.	PHE	UK Standards
2019 Update	Gov.UK/PHE: Urinary tract infection: diagnostic tools for primary care. Update 06 September 2019.	Gov.UK / PHE	Guidance
2019 Update	NICE (NG111) Pyelonephritis (acute): antimicrobial prescribing. Published October 2018, updated September 2019.	NICE	Guidance

2019 Update	NICE (NG113) Urinary Tract Infection (catheter-associated): antimicrobial prescribing. Published November 2018, updated September 2019	NICE	Guidance
2018	HARP, PHW: Preventing Urinary Tract Infections 28 November 2018	HARP, PHW	Guidance
2018	All Wales Antimicrobial Guidance Group: Primary Care Empirical Urinary Tract Infection Treatment Guidelines Published July 2018	AWMSG AWAGG AWTTC AWPAG	Guidelines
2018	NICE (NG109) Urinary Tract Infection (lower) antimicrobial prescribing. Published October 2018.	NICE	Guidance
2018	NICE (NG112) Urinary Tract Infection (recurrent): antimicrobial prescribing. Published October 2018.	NICE	Guidance
2018 Update	NICE (CG54) Urinary tract infection in under 16s: diagnosis, treatment and long-term management: Algorithm Update October 2018.	NICE	Guidance
2017 Update	NICE (QS36) Urinary tract infection in children and young people. Update September 2017.	NICE	Quality Standard
2017 Update	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI) Last Update 6 June 2019	CDC	Guidelines

2017	NICE: Urinary Tract Infections in adults: Quality Standard [Q590] Published June 2015, last review 2017 – no update required.	NICE	Quality Standard
2017	NICE: Lower urinary tract symptoms in men. Published September 2013, last review 2017 – no update required.	NICE	Quality Standard
2014	epic3: National Evidence-Based Guidelines for Preventing Healthcare-Associated Infections in NHS Hospitals in England (2014).	JHI	Systematic Review & Guidance
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Urinary catheter insertion and daily care	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2012	1000 Lives Plus - How to guide 21 - Reducing Healthcare Associated Infections : Appropriate and timely use of invasive devices (includes insertion and maintenance bundles)	1000 Lives Plus Faculty	Best Practice Guidance

Central Venous Catheters

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2017 Update	CDC Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter-Related Infections , 2011, edit 28 February 2017.	CDC	Systematic Review
2016 Update	HPS: Preventing infections when inserting and maintaining a central venous catheter (CVC) Published 15 September 2014, update July 2016.	HPS	Resources

2014	Prevention of intravascular catheter related infection in Ireland , Update of 2009 National Guidelines, September 2014	RCP of Ireland	Systematic Review
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Insertion and continuing care.	IPS	Evidence Based Standards

Peripheral vascular catheters

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2018	HPS: Preventing infections when inserting and maintaining a neonatal Peripheral Vascular Catheter . Published 10 May 2018.	HPS	Quality Improvement Tool
2018 Update	HPS: Quality improvement to optimise practice: Preventing infections when inserting and maintaining a Peripheral Vascular Catheter . Last update 13 June 2018.	HPS	Resources
2016	National Safety Standards for Invasive Procedures (NatSSIPs) Amended for issue in Wales September 2016.	WG	Best Practice Guidance
2016 Under review	RCN Standards for infusion therapy, 4th edition . Published 12 December 2016, under review (accessed 27 May 2020)	RCN	Standards


2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Insertion and continuing care.	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2014	epic3: National Evidence-Based Guidelines for Preventing Healthcare-Associated Infections in NHS Hospitals in England (2014).	JHI	Systematic Review & Guidance
2012	1000 Lives Plus - How to guide 21 - Reducing Healthcare Associated Infections : Appropriate and timely use of invasive devices (includes insertion and maintenance bundles)	1000 Lives Plus Faculty	Best Practice Guidance

Outbreaks

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	NIPCM: Chapter 3- Healthcare Infection Incidents, Outbreaks and Data Exceedance (Updated documents March 2020).	HPS	Policy
2016 Update	Emergency Preparedness, Resilience & Response: Managing Infectious Disease Emergencies: Wales Framework for Managing Major Infections Disease Emergencies . Last update 12 December 2016.	PHW	Best Practice & All-Wales Guidance
2015	HPS : Pseudomonas Outbreak Checklist 14 August 2015.	HPS	Checklist
2014	The Communicable Disease Outbreak Plan for Wales ('The Wales Outbreak Plan') April 2014.	WG	Welsh Policy

Standard Infection Prevention & Control Precautions & Transmission Based Precautions

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Updated regularly	Needlestick injuries and blood-borne viruses: decisions about testing adults who lack the capacity to consent. Last update (at time of review): 8 September 2020	BMA	Guideline
2020 Updated regularly	PHE: BBVs in healthcare workers: health clearance and management. Published 26 October 2017 Last update(at time of review): 17 August 2020	PHE	Guidance
2020 Update	NHS Scotland: National Infection Prevention and Control Policies (NIPCM) Adopted by NHS Wales April 2018 Chapter 1: Standard Infection Prevention and Control Precautions Chapter 2: Transmission Precautions English: National Infection Prevention & Control Manual (NIPCM) Welsh: Llawlyfr Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Atal a Rheoli Heintiau (NIPCM)	NHS Scotland	Model Policy (adopted by NHS Wales)

2019	<p>Welsh Government: CMO/CNO letter: Bare below the Elbow (BBE): Published 09 January 2019:</p>  <p>20190109 - PHD (PDF)- CMO CNO let</p>	WG CMO/CNO letter	Best Practice Recommendations
2017	<p>All current Health Technical Memoranda (HTM) and Welsh Health Technical Memoranda (WHTM): WHTM 01-04 – Decontamination of linen for health and social care: Management and provision (2017) WHTM 01-04 - Decontamination of linen for health and social care: Engineering, equipment and validation (2017) WHTM 01-04 - Decontamination of linen for health and social care: Social care (2017) WHTM 01-04 - Decontamination of linen for health and social care: Guidance for linen processors implementing BS EN 14065 (2017)</p>	SSP	Best Practice Guidelines
2017	<p>Emergency Healthcare Workers, Exposure Prone Procedures (EPPs) and the Exposure Prone Environment Published 20 April 2017</p>	PHE UKAP	Guideline
2016	<p>General dentistry: exposure prone procedure categorisation. Published 30 March 2016.</p>	PHE	Advice
2016 Update	<p>Respiratory Protective Equipment Guidance Updated 08 October 2016.</p>	HSE	Guidance
2014	<p>NICE Quality Standard QS61: Quality Statement 3: Hand decontamination. Published April 2014.</p>	NICE	Quality Standard

2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Standard precautions Hand Hygiene Asepsis	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2013	Guidance on the use of respiratory and facial protection equipment Published 17 September 2013	JHI	Systematic Review
2013	Health and Safety (Sharps Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations 2013 - Guidance for employers & employees, 2013	HSE	Guidance
2013	Respiratory Protective Equipment at Work, a practical guide 2013. HSG53 4 th Edition. Published 2013	HSE	Guidance
2009	World Health Organisation (WHO) guidelines on hand hygiene in health care. Published 2009.	WHO	Guidance

Surgical Site Infection

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019	NICE guideline (NG125) Surgical site infections: prevention and treatment. Published April 2019. Last updated 19 August 2020	NICE	Guidelines
2018	World Health Organization: Prevent Surgical Site Infections: implementation approaches for evidence based recommendations Published 2018.	WHO	Recommendations

2016 Update	WHAIP/PHW Orthopaedic SSI electronic Data Collection. Update 24 June 2016.	WHAIP, PHW	Orthopaedic SSI Surveillance
2015	WHAIP reports: WHAIP/PHW C-section wound care management booklet (2015): Surgical Site Infections (SSIs) Following C Section Procedures: A Review of the Evidence around Interventions to reduce Infections (2013) WHAIP/PHW C-section patient information and wound care leaflet: Welsh version English version Polish version	WHAIP PHW	Guidance
2015 Update	1000 Lives Plus: Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS). Updated 24 November 2015.	1000 Lives PHW	Guidance
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Scrub procedure Theatre Asepsis	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
2017	NICE Quality Standard, Surgical Site Infection QS49. Review 2017: no change required.	NICE	Guidance
2011 Update	1000 Lives Plus resources to reduce surgical complications	1000 Lives Plus Faculty	Best Practice Guidance

Pneumonia, including Ventilator Associated Pneumonia (VAP)

2019	NHS Health Education England: Mouth Care Matters, Toolkit for Improving Mouth Care in Hospitals Issue date: 17 November 2019, Version 12	NHS England	Toolkit
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2018 Update	Respiratory Health Delivery Plan 2018-2020: Reducing inappropriate variation and sharing best practice. Update 2018.	WG	Delivery Plan
2018 Update	HARP (WHAIP), PHW: Ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP) all-Wales surveillance Programme , last updated 01 March 2018	PHW	Surveillance Programme
2017 Review	NICE Quality Standard QS110 : Pneumonia in adults. Published January 2016, checked 2017 – no change required.	NICE	Quality Standard
2010	Ventilator bundle in 'Improving Critical Care – How to guide'	1000 Lives Plus PHW	Best Practice Guidance

Enteral Feeding

2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Enteral feeding	IPS	Evidence Based Standards
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ORGANISM/DISEASE/ AGENT SPECIFIC

CORONAVIRUS: COVID-19 (SARS CoV 2) *A Global pandemic declared on 11 March 2020*

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 NEW	Welsh Government: National Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidance Updated regularly	Welsh Government	Guidance Resources

2020 NEW	Specific Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidance – Public Health Wales Updated regularly	Public Health Wales	Guidance Resources
2020 NEW	Coronavirus (COVID-19): what you need to do (including travel restrictions)- GOV.UK Updated regularly	Gov.UK	Guidance Resources
2020 NEW	NHS111Wales: Coronavirus COVID-19 Symptom Checker	NHS Wales	Resources
2020 NEW	NICE – Coronavirus (COVID-19) Updated regularly	NICE	Information
2020 NEW	Health Protection Scotland –Coronavirus (COVID-19) Updated regularly	HPS	Guidance Resources
2020 Update	Gov.UK: COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Last update 20 October 2020	Gov.UK	Guidance
2020 NEW	Coronavirus (COVID-19): Information for Health and Social Care Professionals- Wales Updated regularly	PHW	Guidance Information Resources
2020 NEW	Coronavirus disease 2019 – World Health Organisation Updated regularly	WHO	Guidance Information Resources
2020 NEW	Health and Social Care Professionals: Coronavirus Updated regularly	Gov.UK	Guidance

2020 NEW	Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance on the prioritisation of waste and recycling collection services Last update 14 April 2020	Gov.Wales	Guidance
2020 NEW	Guidance for care of the deceased with suspected or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) Last update 31 July 2020	Gov.UK/ PHE	Guidance

Clostridioides difficile (previously *Clostridium difficile*)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 NEW	<i>Clostridioides difficile</i> (C.difficile) PCR Ribotyping Annual Summary 2018/19 Financial Year (FY): All Wales. Published 20 December 2019 (awaiting online link)	PHW	Surveillance Report
2019	Updated guidance on the management and treatment of <i>Clostridium difficile</i> infection Published 1 June 2013 Last update 06 September 2019	HPA/DH (England)	Best Practice Guidance Commended to Wales by CMO
2019 Update	Clostridioides difficile infection: How to deal with the problem Published 1 December 2008 Last update 06 September 2019	HPA/DH (England)	Best Practice Guidance Commended to Wales by CMO
2019 Update	Clostridium difficile Infection Trigger Tool Version 4 Published 27 March 2019	HPS	Resource

2019	PHW: Clostridioides difficile (C.difficile) Ribotyping Annual Report 2017/18 financial year. Issued February 2019.	PHW	Surveillance Report
2019	Clostridium difficile infection objectives for NHS organisations in 2019/20 and guidance on the intention to review financial sanctions and sampling rates from 2020/21. Published February 2019.	NHS Improvements	Guidance
2019 Update	Faecal microbiota transplant for recurrent Clostridium difficile infection NICE interventional procedure guidance 485 Last update November 2019	NICE	Best Practice Guidance
2018	ECDC: Surveillance Report: Annual Epidemiological Report for 2016, published 20 June 2018.	ECDC	Surveillance Report
2017	Clostridium difficile (C.difficile) PCR Ribotyping Summary, Survey Period 9, 2016/17 financial year. Issue date 19 December 2017.	PHW	Surveillance Report
2015 Update	Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI): Severe Case Investigation Tool & Guidance Framework 25 November 2015.	HPS	Best Practice Guidance

Creutzfeldt - Jakob disease (CJD or vCJD)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2018	Who has an increased risk of CJD? Published July 2018.	PHE / HPS	UK wide guidance

2017 Update	Minimise transmission risk of CJD and vCJD in healthcare settings. Update 10 August 2017.	Gov.UK	UK wide guidance
2015 Update	Infection Prevention and control of CJD and variant CJD in Healthcare and Community Settings: Part 4. Revision and update February 2015.	Gov.UK	Supporting information

High consequence infectious diseases (HCID), including Ebola

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	PHE: High consequence infectious diseases (HCID): Guidance and information about HCID and their management in England. Last update 17 June 2020	PHE	Guidance Information
2019 Update	Ebola virus disease: clinical management and guidance. Update 09 October 2019	DH England Gov.UK	UK wide guidance
2018 Update	Ebola Virus Disease (EVD): current links to information & guidance for healthcare professionals in Wales Update September 2018.	PHW	Resource and Guidance
2018	ECDC: Rapid risk assessment: Ebola virus disease outbreak in Equateur Province, Democratic Republic of Congo- 2018. Published 15 May 2018.	ECDC	Risk Assessment
2015	Ebola and infectivity factsheet Update 5 May 2015.	DH England	UK wide guidance
2014	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for all known or suspected cases of Ebola Virus Disease in Acute Healthcare Settings in Wales, Version 1b, October 2014.	PHW	Guidance

Group A Streptococci

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 Update	The characteristics, diagnosis and management of group A streptococci infections Update 10 July 2019.	Gov.UK	Resources Guidance
2017	Guidelines for the public health management of scarlet fever outbreaks in schools, nurseries and other childcare settings October 2017.	PHE	Guidance
2012	Guidelines for prevention and control of group A streptococcal infection in acute healthcare and maternity settings in the UK Published January 2012	Jl	Best Practice Guidance

Hepatitis A, B and C

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	PHE: Hepatitis C: guidance, data and analysis . Last update 27 March 2020	PHE	Guidance Data
2019 Update	WHC/2019/023 : Update of guidance on clearance and management of healthcare workers living with a bloodborne virus (BBV) Published 25 July 2019	PHW	WHC
2019	Guidance on management of potential exposure to blood-borne viruses in emergency workers : For Occupational Health Service Providers and frontline staff	PHE	Guidance

	Published September 2019		
2019 Update	PHE: Hepatitis B: guidance, data and analysis . Last update 16 October 2019.	PHE	Guidance Data
2019 Update	PHE: Hepatitis A: guidance, data and analysis . Last update 09 October 2019.	PHE	Guidance
2019 Update	PHW: Hepatitis C . Last update 18 July 2019.	PHW	Resources Information
2018 Update	PHW: Hepatitis A . Last update 26 June 2018.	PHW	Resources Information
2018 Update	PHW: Hepatitis B . Last update 26 June 2018.	PHW	Resources Information
2018 Update	Public Health England: Hepatitis A infection: prevention and control guidance . Last update 16 November 2018.	PHE	Guidance
2017 Review	NICE Quality Standard QS565 : Hepatitis B. Published 2014, checked 2017- no change required.	NICE	Quality Standard

Influenza

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Updated regularly	Pandemic flu: public health response	PHE	Information & guidance
2020 Update	Beat Flu - Influenza Season Campaign in Wales <i>Accessed online 5 November 2020</i>	PHW	Information Resources

2020 Update	Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation Advice on influenza vaccines for 2020/21 Influenza Season 2020/21	VPDP PHW	Advice Guidance
2020 Weekly update	Weekly report: Public Health Wales Weekly Influenza Activity and Surveillance in Wales	PHW	Information Surveillance
2019	WHC(2019)015 : The National Influenza Immunisation Programme 2019-2020. Published 16 April 2019	WG/WHC	Guidance
2019 Update	Seasonal influenza: guidance, data and analysis Update 06 November 2019.	Gov.UK	Information Guidance
2019 Update	PHW: Managing Seasonal Influenza: Infection Prevention and Control Guidance in Healthcare Settings. Update 27 August 2019.	PHW	Guidance
2019	PHE guidance on use of antiviral agents for the treatment and prophylaxis of seasonal influenza. Version 10.0. Published September 2019.	PHE	Guidance
2019	PHE: Surveillance of influenza and other respiratory viruses in the UK: Winter 2018 to 2019. Last update 25 June 2020	PHE	Surveillance
2019 Update	PHE: Vaccine update. Issue 299. Flu Special Edition. Published 24 September 2019	PHE	Guidance
2019	VPDP/PHW: The Influenza programme 2019/20 : Policy, Guidance and Green Book	VPDP PHW	Information Resources
2018	The Influenza Campaign: A guide for care home managers and staff 2018-19. Published September 2018	PHW	Best Practice Guidance

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Lyme disease

2018	Lyme disease advice in Wales: be tick aware. Update 01 June 2018.	PHW website	Information
2018	WHC 2018/021 : Raising awareness of Lyme disease and ensuring prompt and consistent diagnosis and treatment. Issue date 1 June 2018.	WG	WHC

MEASLES, MUMPS and RUBELLA

2020 Update	PHE: Laboratory confirmed cases of measles, rubella and mumps. England: October to December 2019. Health Protection Report: Volume 14, Number 4. Published 25 February 2020	PHE	Report
2019	PHE: UK Measles and Rubella elimination UK strategy. Published January 2019.	PHE	Strategy

MERS CoV

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 Update	Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) – Key Facts Update December 2019.	WHO	Key facts

2019 Update	PHE risk assessment of MERS CoV Update 23 July 2019.	PHE	Risk assessment
2019 Update	PHE MERS-CoV Close Contact Algorithm. Version 17, Update 29 January 2019.	PHE	Algorithm
2018	Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS CoV) Update February 2018.	PHW	Wales-specific Guidance

Monkeypox

2019 Update	Monkeypox: information for primary care Update December 2019.	PHE	Expert Guidance
2018 Update	Monkeypox case in England. Update 05 December 2018.	PHE	Information

MSSA / MRSA

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	Staphylococcus aureus: guidance, data and analysis Last update 22 January 2020	PHE	Information
2018	MRSA: guidance on post-infection review. Last update 21 March 2018.	NHSI	Information
2018 Revised	MRSA in primary care. Last revision October 2018.	NICE	Guidance Best practice
2016	Audit of MRSA Admission Screening in Wales Published July 2016.	WHAIP PHW	Information Guidance

2014	Implementation of modified admission MRSA screening guidance for NHS (2014) (for information only)	PHE	Expert Guidance
2014	DHSC: Who to screen for MRSA Published 18 August 2014.	DHSC	Information
2013	CMO (2013) 4, CNO (2013) 2: MRSA Screening Issue date: 18 February 2013.	CMO/CNO	Welsh Policy
2006	Guidelines for the control and prevention of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) in healthcare facilities	BSAC/HIS/ICNA	Expert Guidance

Multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO)

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Update	Carbapenem resistance: guidance, data and analysis Last update 02 October 2020	Gov.UK	Collection
2020	Framework of actions to contain carbapenemase-producing Enterobacterales Published September 2020	PHE	Guidance
2020 Update	PHE: Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae: acute trusts toolkit Update 03 January 2020	PHE	Guidance
2019 Update	HPS: Toolkit for the early detection, management and control of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in Scottish acute settings. Update 01 December 2019.	HPS	Guidance Resources

2019	HARP MDRO Webpage	HARP, PHW	Expert Guidance & Resources
2019 Review	CDC: Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings Published 2007, last review 22 July 2019.	CDC	Systematic review and guidance
2018	HARP, PHW: All Wales Guidance for Developing Policies and Procedures to Manage Multi Drug Resistant Organisms (MDRO) including MRSA. Version 2, November 2018. * <i>under review June 2020*</i>	HARP, PHW	All-Wales Guidance
2018	HSE, Ireland/hspc: Assessing Evidence of Transmission and End of Transmission of Carbapenemase Producing Enterobacterales (CPE) (CPE) Expert Group. National Guidance Document, version 1.0. Published 8 May 2018.	HSE/hspc	Guidance
2017	HPS: Toolkit for managing carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in Scottish non-acute care settings. Version 1.0, September 2017.	HPS	Guidance Resources
2017	Candida auris within the United Kingdom: updated guidance published: Guidance for the laboratory investigation, infection control in community care settings, advice for patients and visitors. Update 11 August 2017 v2.0.	PHE	Expert Guidance
2017	Research and analysis: HPR volume 11, issue 28: Candida auris in the United Kingdom: updated guidance published. Last update 15 December 2017.	PHE	Research & Analysis
2016	WHC (2016) 007 Guidance on infection prevention and control of Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) and other multi drug resistant organisms (MDRO) Issue date: 11 February 2016.	WG	Welsh Health Circular

2015	Prevention and control of multi-drug-resistant Gram-negative bacteria: recommendations from a joint working party. Issue date: 15 November 2015.	Joint Working Party JHI	Evidence based Guidelines
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Isolation precautions.	IPS	Evidence Based Standards

Nerve Gas exposure (CBRN)

2018	Briefing note for Emergency Departments – management of suspected Novichok poisonings. Published July 2018.	PHE	Briefing paper
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Norovirus

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Updated regularly	Norovirus: guidance, data and analysis. Last update (at time of review): 17 December 2020	PHE	Expert Guidance
2019	PHE: Suspected and laboratory confirmed reported norovirus outbreaks in hospitals (England) and norovirus laboratory reports (England and Wales): weeks 48 to 52, 2018. Health Protection Report, V13, number 3: Published 25 January 2019.	PHE	Report

2012	Guidelines for the management of norovirus outbreaks in acute and community care settings. Published March 2012.	Norovirus Working Party	Guidelines
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Plague – Yersinius pestis

2017	Plague: epidemiology, outbreaks and guidance Update 7 December 2017.	DH England	UK Wide
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Tuberculosis

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019 Update	Tuberculosis NICE guidance (NG33) Published January 2016, Last update 12 September 2019.	NICE	Best Practice Guidance
2018 Update	Gov.UK: Guidance: Tuberculosis screening. Last update 22 March 2018.	Gov.UK	Guidance
2017 Update	PHW: Tuberculosis Update 28 April 2017.	PHW	Internet Information

SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTS & SCENARIOS

Use of cooling fans in healthcare

2019 NEW	Recommendations for use of portable electric fans (bladed and bladeless) in all in-patient settings across Wales 15 January 2020 <i>NB: This document will be available as pdf shortly on HARP internet & link will be added to next Compendium update</i>	PHW	Best Practice Guidance
2019 NEW	Portable fans in health and social care facilities: risk of cross infection. Reference: EFA/2019/001 Issue date: 11 January 2019	EFA	Best Practice Guidance
2018 NEW	HPS Position Statement: SBAR: Portable Cooling Fans (bladed and bladeless) for use in clinical areas. Issue date: August 2018	HPS	Best Practice Guidance
2018 NEW	Guidelines for the Use of Portable Electric Fans in Healthcare Settings 2018	HSE	Best Practice Guidance

Neonatal Units

2016	WHBN 09-03 : Neonatal Units. Published 2016.	SSP	Guidance
2014	Neonatal infection: Quality Standard (QS75) Published December 2014.	NICE	Quality Standard
2013	All Wales Neonatal Standards, 2nd Edition. Published June 2013.	WHSSC	Standards

Critical Care Units

2017	Annual Statement of progress 2017 for the critically ill Update February 2017.	WG	Report
2017	Delivery Plan for the critically ill to 2020 Issued 2017	WG	Guidance
2016 Update	WHBN 04-02 Critical Care Units Update 2016.	SSP	Guidance
2013	Together for Health- A Delivery Plan for the Critically Ill up to 2016. Issued 2013.	WG	Guidance

Care Homes, Educational settings, Pre-school

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2019	Smiling Matters: Oral health care in care homes Published June 2019	CQC	Guidance
2019 Revised	Infection Prevention and Control Guidance (2019) for Childcare Settings (0-5 years) in Wales (Nurseries, Childminding and Playgroups) Version 2, Revised September 2019	HPT, PHW	Guidance
2019 Updated regularly	HPT, PHW: Infection Control Guidance for Care Homes. Last update(at time of review): 18 April 2019	HPT, PHW	Guidance Resources

2019 Revised	English: Recommended Time to Keep Individuals Away from Settings because of Common Infections (2019) Welsh: Yr amser a argymhellir ar gyfer cadw unigolion draw o leoliadau oherwydd heintiau cyffredin (2019) Revised 13 May 2019 (Version 3)	HPT PHW	Guidance
2019 Updated regularly	PHE: Health Protection in schools and other childcare facilities: a practical guide for staff on managing cases of infectious diseases in schools and other childcare settings. Last update (at time of review): 27 March 2019	PHE	Guidelines
2019	Hydration in Care Homes: A practical resource pack to support the hydration of care home residents. Version 3. Published February 2019	UWL / PHW	Resources
2018	The Influenza Campaign: A guide for care home managers and staff 2018-19. Published September 2018	PHW	Guidance
2018	International Scientific Forum on Home Hygiene (IFH) and Infection Prevention Society (IPS): Home Hygiene: Prevention of Infection at home- a training resource for carers and their trainers. Published 04 September 2018	IFH/IPS	Training Best practice
2018	IFH: Containing the burden of infectious diseases is everyone's responsibility: A call for an integrated strategy for developing and promoting hygiene behavior change in home and everyday life: Published October 2018	IFH	Guidance

2018	PHW/HALT-3: National point prevalence survey of healthcare associated infections, device usage and antimicrobial use in long-term care facilities – 2017 Published March 2018	HARP, PHW	Wales Report
2018 Version 5	HPS: Infection Prevention and Control in Childcare Settings (Day Care and Childminding Settings) Version 5, 22 May 2018.	HPS	Guidance
2018	HPS: Norovirus – Guidance for Care Homes . Published 8 November 2018	HPS	Guidance
2017 <i>Under review</i>	HPT, PHW: All Wales Infection Prevention and Control Guidance for Education Settings Published 02 May 2017 <i>*currently under review (Due 2019)*</i> .	HPT, PHW	Guidance
2014	Infection Prevention Society – Quality Improvement Tools Care homes (<i>NB. only available to IPS members</i>)	IPS	Evidence Based Standards

Prisons

Year	Policy/Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Updated regularly	PHE: Public health in prisons and secure settings . Last update(at time of review): 15 October 2020	PHE	Resources
2020 Updated regularly	NICE pathway: Tuberculosis in prisons or immigration removal centres . Last update (at time of review): 05 November 2020	NICE	Pathway

2017 2nd edition	Multi-agency contingency plan for disease outbreaks in prisons. 2 nd Edition uploaded 24 January 2017	PHE	Resources
2015	The health of prisoners: a focus on infectious diseases. Published 15 June 2015	PHE/WHO/EMC DDA	Guidance
2013	Management of tuberculosis in prisons: Guidance for Prison Healthcare Teams Issued 15 May 2013.	PHE/HPSPN	Guidance
2011	PHE: Prevention of infection and communicable disease control in prisons and places of detention: A manual for healthcare workers. Published 1 July 2011	PHE	Guidance

STRATEGIC

Year	Policy / Guidance	Author (or Publisher)	Status
2020 Updated regularly	WG: Welsh Health Circulars providing information to NHS staff on issues of information governance.	WG	Welsh Health Circular list
2019	PHW: The Public Health implications of Brexit in Wales : A Health Impact Assessment Approach, 2019.	PHW	HIA

2019	PHE: Infectious Disease Strategy 2020-2025: Addressing urgent threats in the 21st Century Published 17 September 2019	PHE	Information
2018	The Welsh NHS Confederation: The key issues for health and social care organisations as the UK prepares to leave the European Union. Published 2 June 2018.	The Welsh NHS Confederation	Information
2016	WHC (2016) 011 Prudent Healthcare: Securing health and wellbeing for future generations Issued 15 February 2016.	WG	Welsh Health Circular
2015 Revised	The Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of practice on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance Published 24 July 2015	PHE	Guidance
2015	HPS: Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Standards Published February 2015.	HPS	Guidance
2014	NICE quality standards [QS61] Infection prevention and control Published 17 April 2014	NICE	Information
2015	WHC (2015) 032 : Health and Care Standards (easy read) Issue date 1 April 2015.	WG	Welsh Health Circular
2014 Under review	Code of practice for the prevention and control of healthcare associated infections Published May 2014. <i>*under review January 2020*</i>	WG	Policy