

<b>Committee / Meeting Title:</b>	Quality Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	17 March 2020
<b>Agenda Number:</b>	
<b>Agenda Item Title:</b>	Infection Prevention and Control Annual Declaration
<b>Presenting Officer:</b>	Dr Mercia Spare – Chief Nurse / Director of Infection Prevention and Control

<b>Action - this paper is for:</b>	Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	Assurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Report Summary</b>
<p>This is the Annual declaration of compliance for Infection prevention and Control – as required by the Hygiene Code (2008 updated 2015)</p>

<b>Proposals and /or Recommendations</b>
Report for assurance

<b>Relevant Legislation and Source Documents</b>
Health and Social Care Act – 2008, revised 2010 and 2015
<b>Has an Equality Analysis (EA) been completed?</b>
No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
High level position described and no decisions required. The paper will have no impact on people with any of the nine protected characteristics
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Include summary of any reasonable adjustments or actions required to avoid significant impact on patients, patients' families and employees and volunteers with protected characteristics. Click here to edit.
<b>NOTE: An Equality Analysis is required for ALL policies, protocols, strategies, significant service changes and new care models, to assess the impact on both patients/families and employees/volunteers with protected characteristics, but it is <u>not</u> required for assurance reports and papers for information. <b>Protected characteristics:</b> Age, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race, Religion and Belief, Sex, Sexual Orientation.</b>

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## **Infection Prevention and Control Declaration 2020**

The Board of Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust is assured that the following are in place, in accordance with the Hygiene Code.

- Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust meets statutory requirements in relation to the Hygiene Code.
- Kent Community Health NHS Trust has an Infection Prevention and Control Policy to ensure best practice and to reduce HCAI's
- All staff within Kent Community Health NHS Trust are provided with infection prevention and control training on induction, and regularly through employment, which includes practical training and assessment in hand hygiene. The training is mandatory for all staff, and Compliance is monitored centrally and reported to the Board.
- The Board level Executive Lead with the responsibility for infection prevention and control in Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust is the Chief Nurse/Director of Infection Prevention and Control (DIPC) ensuring that Infection Prevention and Control is prioritised on the quality and safety agendas.
- Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust has an Infection Prevention and Control Team with responsibility for delivering the Infection Prevention and Control Policies.
- Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust has a bi-monthly Infection Prevention Control and Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee which is chaired by the Chief Nurse/DIPC.
- There is an annual audit programme, to monitor compliance with the Infection Prevention and Control policies and guidelines.
- The Board reviews Infection Prevention and Control data across the organisation on a monthly basis, via the Performance Report. The Quality Committee receive a full report from the Assistant Director of Infection Prevention and Control quarterly The Trust Board receive an annual report on Infection Prevention and Control.