

Annual Infection Control Statement 2025

This statement will be generated each year in January to summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken
- Details of any infection control audits undertaken and any subsequent actions taken as a result
- Details of any infection control risk assessment undertaken and any subsequent actions taken as a result
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

This statement is prepared by Michelle Reid, Infection Control Lead at Heath Dental and covers the period of 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Infection Transmission Incidents

April – Sharps injury for team member. Fully investigated and advice/care sought from Occupational health Team member all clear

Audits

A compliance audit was carried out by Portman Dentex 3rd June 2025 and passed

The IPS HTM 01-05 Audit was completed in April & October

DUWL tests were carried out Jan, April, July

Risk Assessments

The full practice risk assessment was reviewed by Carol Turner in February with no changes noted. Next review Feb 2026

Legionella risk assessment carried out 10th September 2025 after new dental chair installation – actions taken as advised

Staff Training

The team are encouraged as always to continue with their regular CPD on all recommended topics throughout the year also. Logs available from practice manager.

January – Infection control training – Instrument boxes

February - Hand hygiene

October - DUWL training