

18 Week Update Improvement Action Plan

Healthcare Improvement Scotland:

Unannounced Infection Prevention and Control Inspections of Mental Health Services

Borders General Hospital (NHS Borders Mental Health Inpatient Units), NHS Borders

22 August 2023

Requirements and Recommendations	Action Taken/Progress	Completed Yes/No	Further action if applicable
NHS Borders must ensure the care environment is in a good state of repair to support effective cleaning (see page 9).	NHS Borders Mental Health Service completes an environmental risk walk round weekly. Part of this process involves the reporting of maintenance issues through our Agility System. Mental Health Service will establish a governance process for oversight and escalation of outstanding maintenance tasks.	Yes	

NHS Borders must ensure that domestic staff are trained on cleaning products used (see page 10).	All Mental Health domestics to have refresher training in the use of Tristel Fuse.	Yes	
NHS Borders must ensure that specialist infection prevention and control advice is recorded within the ward-level patient care record to inform care planning (see page 10).	Infection prevention and control will have access to our Mental Health electronic record keeping system (EMIS). Mental Health ward staff have been reminded of importance of record keeping.	Yes	