



# 18 Week Update Improvement Action Plan

Healthcare Improvement Scotland:

Unannounced Infection Prevention and Control Inspections of Mental Health Services

Bellsdyke Hospital, NHS Forth Valley

20 June 2023

Requirements and Recommendations	Action Taken/Progress	Completed Yes/No	Further action if applicable
<b>Requirement 1</b> NHS Forth Valley must ensure that all care environments are maintained and in a good state of repair to allow for effective cleaning	A programme of works has been completed to address the specific areas outlined in the report. This included replacement flooring, wet wall repairs in bathrooms and other general maintenance tasks. See also Recommendation A.	Yes	Ongoing systems of reporting and maintenance schedules will continue to address future estates needs. An electronic management system for Estates works is in place to capture ongoing and future work.
<b>Requirement 2</b> NHS Forth Valley must ensure sufficient and appropriate storage to ensure that items are organised and accessible and to support effective cleaning of the areas	Storerooms have been reorganised to ensure effective cleaning of the areas. Compliance is monitored through IPC monthly	YES	Ongoing monitoring through mechanisms described

	<p>audits, Care Assurance visits and by the Senior Charge Nurse.</p> <p>A scoping exercise has been completed for additional storage areas if service demands change. Costings for this have been completed.</p>		
<p><b>Requirement 3</b> NHS Forth Valley must ensure consistent recording of flushing of infrequently used water outlets to improve compliance and provide assurance in line with current national guidance</p>	<p>Consistent processes for recording flushing for low usage outlets are in place and monitored through monthly checks for managers and IPC audits.</p> <p>A scoping exercise was carried out to assess the potential of removal of little used water outlets and has been completed.</p>	<p>YES</p> <p>YES</p>	<p>As a further action initiated locally, there will be a discussion on flushing arrangements (by specific staff groups) at the next Infection Control Committee on 15/02/24.</p>
<p><b>Requirement 4</b> NHS Forth Valley must ensure that infection prevention and control related audits are completed fully and consistently with action plans developed to address any areas identified for improvement</p>	<p>Infection Prevention &amp; Control (IPC) site visits are carried out on a monthly basis and more frequently if required. Findings from these audits are communicated to appropriate stakeholders at the time and also reported monthly.</p>	<p>ONGOING</p>	<p>In addition, IPCT have been working with Performance Management Team using Pentana, a data management system to provide real time feedback on audits and incorporated action plans. This has been shared with the Chief Nurses and is currently being tested in preparation for implementation. To be implemented following approval by the Infection Control Committee on 15/02/24.</p>

<p><b>Requirement 5</b> NHS Forth Valley must ensure all staff complete NHS Forth Valleys' mandatory infection prevention and control training.</p>	<p>Senior Charge Nurse monitors compliance with mandatory IPC training and are compliant.</p> <p>Scores are captured on Pentana and reported through local governance groups including the Infection Control Committee.</p> <p>Infection Control reporting from Mental Health Units is incorporated into the highlight reporting into the Board's Infection Control Committee which incorporates mandatory training rates.</p>	<p>YES</p>	
<p><b>Recommendation a</b> NHS Forth Valley should ensure the findings of the newly established site walk rounds are recorded and actioned in line with current estate reporting processes.</p>	<p>An electronic management system for Estates works is in place to capture ongoing and future work. On-site meetings between Estates and Clinical staff take place on a monthly basis where additional works can be identified promptly. A works number is provided for all identified works to enable monitoring of progression/completion.</p>	<p>YES</p>	
<p><b>Recommendation b</b> NHS Forth Valley should continue to develop and strengthen the pathway for local reporting into the current infection prevention and control committee</p>	<p>IPC have been developing Pentana to provide real time feedback on audits and incorporated action plans. This has been shared with a Chief Nurses and is currently</p>	<p>YES pending approval</p>	<p>Will be implemented following approval by the Infection Control Committee on 15/02/24.</p>

	<p>being tested. See also Requirement No 4.</p> <p>This process will allow units to access all IPC related to their areas real time and be able to generate reports to governance groups going forward.</p>		
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