

# **Infection Prevention and Control Policy**

### Overview

Access Community Health and Total Care Health Services are providers of community health services to clients in their own homes requiring various levels of support throughout New Zealand. The organisation is committed to ensuring the services provided are safe for both clients and staff, and are committed to ensuring Infection control policy and procedures are current best practise and effective in minimising the risk of spread of infection.

# Scope

All staff and contractors working within Access Community Health and Total Care Health Services.

### **Policy Statement**

Access Community Health and Total Care Health will provide sufficient resources, policy, procedures and training to ensure there is a Framework that enables all staff to manage services in the community health setting that minimises the risk of infections to users of the service and by managing infections in accordance with the organisations policy and procedure framework.

All staff and contractors will undertake Infection Control training and competency assessment at induction to the organisation and bi-annually.

#### **Associated Documents**

Infection Prevention and Control Framework

**Standard Precautions** 

Hand Hygiene

Communicable Diseases

Reporting and responding to Contagious Infections

Infection Control Management of Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms in the Community

Sharps Management

Blood or Body Fluid Exposure Management

Difference between Influenza and the Common Cold

Infectious Diseases and Staff Exclusion Table

# References

NZS 8134 3.5:2008 Health and Disability Services Infection Prevention and Control Standards

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