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INFECTION CONTROL MANAGEMENT

POLICY STATEMENT

It is Bay of Plenty District Health Board's (BOPDHB) policy that all steps are taken to ensure patient and staff safety through:

- Effective Hand Hygiene. Hand hygiene audits of the 5 moments for hand hygiene (as per the Hand Hygiene New Zealand implementation guide) are conducted three times a year.
- Use of Standard Precautions for all patients
- Use of Transmission-Based Isolation Precautions
- Effective Management of Multi-drug resistant organisms (MDROs)
- Effective cross contamination management / Outbreak Management
- Effective Cleaning / Disinfection / Sterilisation of all reusable clinical equipment
- A surveillance programme that monitors: multidrug resistant organisms (MDROs), surgical site infections (SSIs), healthcare associated cases of *Staphylococcus aureus* bloodstream infections, and *Clostridium difficile* cases.

PURPOSE

- To minimise the risk of cross contamination/infection from potentially pathogenic micro organisms
- To contain and confine any outbreaks.
- To monitor healthcare associated infections

EXCLUSIONS

There are no exclusions. This policy applies to all BOPDHB staff, students, volunteers and contractors.

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- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.C1.0 Cleaning, Disinfection and Sterilisation & Associated protocols
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.C2.0 Communicable Diseases & Associated protocols
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.E1.0 Endoscopy Equipment Decontamination & Disinfection & Associated protocols
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.H1.0 Hand Hygiene & Associated protocols
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.I1.0 Isolation / Transmission Based Precautions & Associated protocols
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.M1.0 Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms (MDRO) & Associated protocols
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- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Infection Control protocol IC.S1.0 Standard Precautions & Associated protocols
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