

Purpose of the WRHA Community Infection Prevention and Control Manual and Approval Process

The purpose of this manual is to provide evidence based, legislature compliant, best practice guidance and standardized infection prevention and control practices of the following Winnipeg Health Region Authority Corporate and Community Health Services:

- Population & Public Health
- Home Care
- Primary Care/Family Medicine & Affiliates
- Pan Am Clinic

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Policies shall be approved as outlined in the WRHA policy procedures.

Documents other than policies shall be approved as outlined in the community stakeholders consultation record, which has been developed by the WRHA IP&C Program in consultation with interested stakeholders. This process includes documents being approved by the multidisciplinary Regional IP & C Committee.

The information in this manual is to be implemented with appropriate professional judgment. Each program, site or facility is responsible for its own practices and takes on all risk for the practices and procedures they adopt.

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