



Infection Control

Category: Risk Management & OH&S

Policy and Procedure

POLICY

Ballarat Community Health's primary concern of infection control is to care for client and staff safety, appropriately and scientifically. The policy is to prevent the spread of infection from:

- Person to person
- Pests to person, and
- Contamination from environmental hazards to people, within Ballarat Community Health.

RATIONALE

Infection control is more than just implementation of Standard Precautions, sterilisation and disinfection. It also includes education, safe work practices and quality assurance. As with all processes involved in providing health care, infection control must be evaluated to maintain the quality of outcomes and the effectiveness of specific procedures. All staff must be educated in this area.

SCOPE

All BCH employees and contractors.

PROCEDURES

Refer to the BCH Infection Control Manual located in reception at each site.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

BCH Infection Control Manual

POLICY HISTORY

Adapted From	BCH Infection Control Manual 2003
Distribution:	All Staff
Authorised by:	Chief Executive Officer
Policy Legislative Base	
Related Policies	
First Approved Date	08/01/2005
Review History:	08/05/2007
Review Frequency:	Triennial
Next Review Due	2010
Responsibility for Review:	Clinical Team Leader