

Announced Inspection

Name of Establishment: Kilrea Dental Surgery

Establishment ID No: 11552

Date of Inspection: 14 January 2015

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Inspection No: 20215

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1.0 General Information

Name of establishment:	Kilrea Dental Surgery
Address:	33 Maghera Street Kilrea BT51 5 QL
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Registered organisation / registered provider:	Mr Roger Moles
Registered manager:	Mr Roger Moles
Person in charge of the establishment at the time of Inspection:	Mr Roger Moles
Registration category:	IH-DT
Type of service provision:	Private dental treatment
Maximum number of places registered: (dental chairs)	1
Date and type of previous inspection:	Announced Inspection 8 January 2014
Date and time of inspection:	14 January 2015 09:55 – 11:50
Name of inspector:	Stephen O'Connor

2.0 Introduction

The Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA) is empowered under The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 to inspect dental practices providing private dental care and treatment. A minimum of one inspection per year is required.

This is a report of the announced inspection to assess the quality of services being provided. The report details the extent to which the standards measured during inspection were met.

3.0 Purpose of the Inspection

The purpose of this inspection was to consider whether the service provided to patients was in accordance with their assessed needs and preferences and was in compliance with legislative requirements, minimum standards and other good practice indicators. This was achieved through a process of analysis and evaluation of available evidence.

RQIA not only seeks to ensure that compliance with regulations and standards is met but also aims to use inspection to support providers in improving the quality of services. For this reason, inspection involves in-depth examination of an identified number of aspects of service provision.

The aims of the inspection were to examine the policies, practices and monitoring arrangements for the provision of dental care, and to determine the provider's compliance with the following:

- The HPSS (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003;
- The Independent Health Care Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005;
- The Regulation and Improvement Authority (Independent Health Care) (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011;
- The Minimum Standards for Dental Care and Treatment 2011; and
- Health Technical Memorandum HTM 01-05: Decontamination in Primary Care Dental Practices and Professional Estates Letter (PEL) (13) 13.

Other published standards which guide best practice may also be referenced during the inspection process.

4.0 Methods/Process

Committed to a culture of learning, the RQIA has developed an approach which uses self-assessment, a critical tool for learning, as a method for preliminary assessment of achievement of the Minimum Standards.

The inspection process has three key parts; self-assessment (including completion of self-declaration), pre-inspection analysis and the inspection visit by the inspector.

Specific methods/processes used in this inspection include the following:

- a self-assessment was submitted prior to the inspection and has been analysed;
- discussion with Mr Roger Moles, registered provider;
- examination of relevant records;
- consultation with relevant staff;
- tour of the premises; and
- evaluation and feedback.

Any other information received by RQIA about this practice has also been considered by the inspector in preparing for this inspection.

5.0 Consultation Process

During the course of the inspection, the inspector spoke with staff on duty. Questionnaires were provided to staff prior to the inspection by the practice, on behalf of the RQIA to establish their views regarding the service. Matters raised by staff were addressed by the inspector during the course of this inspection:

	Number	
Discussion with staff	2	
Staff Questionnaires	4 issued	3 returned

Prior to the inspection the registered person/s were asked, in the form of a declaration, to confirm that they have a process in place for consulting with service users and that a summary of the findings has been made available. The consultation process may be reviewed during this inspection.

6.0 Inspection Focus

The inspection sought to establish the level of compliance achieved with respect to the selected DHSSPS Minimum Standards for Dental Care and Treatment and a thematic focus incorporating selected standards and good practice indicators. An assessment on the progress in relation to the issues raised during and since the previous inspection was also undertaken.

In 2012 the DHSSPS requested that RQIA make compliance with best practice in local decontamination, as outlined in HTM 01-05 Decontamination in Primary Care Dental Premises, a focus for the 2013/14 inspection year.

The DHSSPS and RQIA took the decision to review compliance with best practice over two years. The focus of the two years is as follows:

- Year 1 Decontamination 2013/14 inspection year
- Year 2 Cross infection control 2014/15 inspection year

Standard 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection [Safe and effective care]

The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

The decontamination section of the Infection Prevention Society Audit tool, which has been endorsed by the Department of Health, was used as a framework for development of a self-assessment tool and for planned inspections during 2013/14.

The following sections of the 2013 edition of the Infection Prevention Society Audit tool, which has been endorsed by the Department of Health have been used as a framework for the development of a self-assessment tool and for planned inspections in 2014/15:

- prevention of Blood-borne virus exposure;
- environmental design and cleaning;
- hand Hygiene;
- management of Dental Medical Devices;
- personal Protective Equipment; and
- waste.

A number of aspects of the Decontamination section of the Audit tool have also been revisited.

RQIA have highlighted good practice guidance sources to service providers, making them available on our website where possible. Where appropriate, requirements will be made against legislation and recommendations will be made against DHSSPS Minimum Standards for Dental Care and Treatment (2011) and other recognised good practice guidance documents.

The registered provider/manager and the inspector have each rated the practice's compliance level against each section of the self-assessment.

The table below sets out the definitions that RQIA has used to categorise the service's performance:

Guidance - Compliance statements		
Compliance statement	Definition	Resulting Action in Inspection Report
0 - Not applicable		A reason must be clearly stated in the assessment contained within the inspection report.
1 - Unlikely to become compliant		A reason must be clearly stated in the assessment contained within the inspection report.
2 - Not compliant	Compliance could not be demonstrated by the date of the inspection.	In most situations this will result in a requirement or recommendation being made within the inspection report.
3 - Moving towards compliance	Compliance could not be demonstrated by the date of the inspection. However, the service could demonstrate a convincing plan for full compliance by the end of the Inspection year.	In most situations this will result in a requirement or recommendation being made within the inspection report.
4 – Substantially Compliant	Arrangements for compliance were demonstrated during the inspection. However, appropriate systems for regular monitoring, review and revision are not yet in place.	In most situations this will result in a recommendation, or in some circumstances a requirement, being made within the inspection report.
5 – Compliant	Arrangements for compliance were demonstrated during the inspection. There are appropriate systems in place for regular monitoring, review and any necessary revisions to be undertaken.	In most situations this will result in an area of good practice being identified and comment being made within the inspection report.

7.0 Profile of Service

Kilrea Dental Surgery is on the first floor of a commercial building, in a mid-terrace building located on a main street of Kilrea, Co Londonderry.

Public car parking is available for patients adjacent to the practice. On street car parking is also available.

A chairlift is available for those patients with decreased mobility. The establishment is not accessible for all patients with a disability. Arrangements are in place to accommodate patients with a disability who cannot access the surgery, including domiciliary visits by the practitioner and referral when appropriate to the community dental service.

Kilrea Dental Surgery operates one dental chair, providing both private and NHS dental care. A reception, waiting area and toilet facilities are available for patient use, a spacious decontamination room and office, with storage/cloakroom space and a staff toilet is also available.

Mr Moles is supported by a receptionist/dental nurse and two dental nurses. The establishment's statement of purpose outlines the range of services provided.

Mr Roger Moles has been the registered provider and manager of Kilrea Dental Surgery since initial registration with RQIA on the 27 February 2012.

This practice is registered as an independent hospital (IH) providing dental treatment (DT).

8.0 Summary of Inspection

This announced inspection of Kilrea Dental Surgery was undertaken by Stephen O'Connor on 14 January 2015 between the hours of 09:55 and 11:50. Mr Roger Moles, registered provider was available during the inspection and for verbal feedback at the conclusion of the inspection.

The recommendations made as a result of the previous inspection were also examined. Observations and discussion demonstrated that four of the five recommendations have been fully addressed. The recommendation made to seal the floor in the decontamination room has been partially addressed and a recommendation has been made in regards to the unaddressed component. The detail of the action taken by Mr Moles can be viewed in the section following this summary.

Prior to the inspection, Mr Moles completed a self-assessment using the standard criteria outlined in the theme inspected. The comments provided by Mr Moles in the self-assessment were not altered in any way by RQIA. The self-assessment is included as appendix one in this report.

During the course of the inspection the inspector met with staff, discussed operational issues, examined a selection of records and carried out a general inspection of the establishment.

Questionnaires were also issued to staff; three were returned to RQIA within the timescale required. Review of submitted questionnaires and discussion with staff evidenced that staff were knowledgeable regarding the inspection theme and that they have received training appropriate to their relevant roles. Staff confirmed that they are familiar with the practice policies and procedures and have received infection prevention and control training. Clinical staff confirmed that they have been immunised against Hepatitis B.

Inspection Theme – Cross infection control

Dental practices in Northern Ireland have been directed by the DHSSPS, that best practice recommendations in the Health Technical Memorandum (HTM) 01-05, Decontamination in primary care dental practices, along with Northern Ireland amendments, should have been fully implemented by November 2012. HTM 01-05 was updated in 2013 and Primary Care Dental Practices were advised of this through the issue of Professional Estates Letter (PEL) (13) 13 on 1 October 2013. The PEL (13) 13 advised General Dental Practitioners of the publication of the 2013 version of HTM 01-05 and the specific policy amendments to the guidance that apply in Northern Ireland.

RQIA reviewed the compliance of the decontamination aspect of HTM 01-05 in the 2013/2014 inspection year. The focus of the inspection for the 2014/2015 inspection year is cross infection control. A number of aspects of the decontamination section of HTM 01-05 have also been revisited.

A copy of the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05 Decontamination in primary dental care practices is available at the practice for staff reference. Staff are familiar with best practice guidance outlined in the document. Mr Moles confirmed that the most recent occasion when the Infection Prevention Society (IPS) audit tool was completed was during October 2013. The IPS audit tool should be completed every six months and a recommendation was made to address this.

The practice has a policy and procedure in place for the prevention and management of blood-borne virus exposure, including management of spillages, sharps and inoculation incidents in accordance with national guidance. A recommendation was made that records confirming the Hepatitis B immunisation status of all clinical staff should be retained in the practice. Review of documentation and discussion with Mr Moles and staff evidenced that appropriate arrangements are in place for the prevention and management of blood-borne virus exposure. Staff confirmed that they are aware of, and are adhering to, the practice policy in this regard. Sharps management at the practice was observed to be in line with best practice.

The premises were clean and tidy and clutter was kept to a minimum. Cleaning schedules have recently been developed; a recommendation was made to establish an environment cleaning policy and to review the provision of cleaning equipment in keeping with the NHS National Patient Safety Agency cleanliness guidelines. A recommendation was also made that floors in the dental surgery and decontamination room should be sealed where they meet the skirting boards.

The practice has a hand hygiene policy and procedure in place and staff demonstrated that good practice is adhered to in relation to hand hygiene. Dedicated hand washing basins are available in the appropriate locations. Information promoting hand hygiene is provided for staff and patients.

A written scheme for the prevention of legionella is available. A recommendation was made that the legionella control measures should be further developed to reduce the risk of legionella to include monthly monitoring of hot and cold sentinel water temperatures. Records should be retained for inspection. Procedures are in place for the use, maintenance, service and repair of all medical devices.

Mr Moles confirmed that DUWLs are drained at the end of the day, however they are not purged using a disinfectant. A recommendation was made to address this.

The practice has a policy and procedure in place for the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and staff spoken with demonstrated awareness of this.

Observations made confirmed that PPE was readily available and used appropriately by staff.

Appropriate arrangements were in place for the management of general and clinical waste, including sharps. Waste was appropriately segregated and suitable arrangements were in place for the storage and collection of waste by a registered waste carrier. Relevant consignment notes are retained in the practice for at least three years.

A decontamination room separate from patient treatment areas and dedicated to the decontamination process is available. A recommendation was made that a ventilation system in keeping with the specifications as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05 should be installed in the decontamination room.

Appropriate equipment, including a washer disinfector and two steam sterilisers have been provided to meet the practice requirements. Review of documentation and discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that the most recent occasion decontamination equipment was validated was on the 19 December 2013. Mr Moles is aware that this equipment was due revalidation on or before the 18 December 2014; however the earliest appointment for revalidation the practice could secure was the end of January 2015. A recommendation was made to submit the validation certificates on return of the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP). Equipment logbooks evidenced that periodic tests are undertaken and recorded in keeping with HTM 01-05, with the exception of the details of the daily Automatic Control Test (ACT) for the steam sterilisers. A recommendation was made to address this.

The evidence gathered through the inspection process concluded that Kilrea Dental Surgery is moving towards compliance with this inspection theme.

Mr Moles confirmed on the submitted self-assessment that arrangements are in place for consultation with patients, at appropriate intervals, that feedback provided by patients has been used by the service to improve, and that results of the consultation have been made available to patients. Discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that the most recent patient satisfaction surveys were undertaken during September 2013. Patient consultation should be undertaken at least annually and a recommendation was made to address this.

Ten recommendations were made as a result of the announced inspection, details can be found in the main body of the report and the attached Quality Improvement Plan (QIP).

The inspector wishes to thank Mr Moles and staff for their helpful discussions, assistance and hospitality throughout the inspection process.

9.0 Follow-up on Previous Issues

No	Minimum Standard Ref.	Recommendations	Action Taken – as confirmed during this inspection	Inspector's Validation of Compliance
1	11.3	A formal documented induction programme should be developed. The induction programme should include radiography and radiation protection and safeguarding as topics to be covered.	Following the previous inspection a copy of the practice induction policy and induction checklist was submitted to RQIA. Review of the induction checklist demonstrated that radiography and radiation protection and safeguarding are included as topics for discussion. This recommendation has been addressed.	Compliant
2	13	The floor surfaces in the decontamination room should be coved or sealed at the edges where they meet the walls and cabinetry, to prevent the accumulation of dust and dirt.	It was observed that the flooring in the decontamination room has been sealed at the edges where it meets the kicker boards of cabinetry. However it has not been sealed where it meets the skirting boards. This recommendation has been partially addressed and a recommendation has been made to seal the floors in the dental surgery and the decontamination room where they meet the skirting boards.	Substantially compliant
3	14.2	Contact Health Estates at the Department of Health for advice and guidance in regards to the installation of a ventilation system in the decontamination room. Any recommendations made should be addressed and records retained.	Review of documentation and discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that Mr Moles sent an email to a representative from health estates at the Department of Health seeking advice and guidance in regards to the installation of a ventilation system in the decontamination room. Mr Moles confirmed that he did not receive a response to his email. A ventilation system has not been installed in the decontamination room.	Compliant

			As Mr Moles did make contact with Health Estates this recommendation is considered to be addressed, however as a ventilation system has not been installed in the decontamination room a recommendation was made during this inspection to address this.	
4	13	Record the results of the daily tests for the washer disinfector, the daily automatic control test, weekly air leakage test and safety checks for the steriliser.	Pre-printed logbooks are available for the washer disinfector and the steam steriliser. Review of the washer disinfector logbook demonstrated that the results of all relevant periodic tests are recorded. Review of the steam steriliser logbook demonstrated that all relevant periodic test results with the exception of the details of the daily automatic control test (ACT) are recorded. In the main this recommendation has been addressed. A further recommendation has been made during this inspection in regards to recording the details of the daily ACT for the steam steriliser.	Compliant
5	13	A data logger should be fitted to the washer disinfector to ensure cycle parameters are recorded. Information recorded on the data logger should be replicated to the practice computer on a regular basis, and records retained for at least two years.	It was observed that a data logger has been fitted to the washer disinfector. Mr Moles confirmed that arrangements are in place to upload the information recorded on this data logger to the practice computer system. This recommendation has been addressed.	Compliant

10.0 Inspection Findings

10.1 Prevention of Blood-borne virus exposure

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care)

The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criteria Assessed:

- **11.2** You receive care and treatment from a dental team (including temporary members) who have undergone appropriate checks before they start work in the service.
- **13.2** Your dental service adheres to the appropriate infection control policies and procedures in line with current best practice and legislation.
- **13.3** Your dental service has systems in place, including induction and ongoing training, to make sure these policies and procedures are known, and are being appropriately applied to the service at all times.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice arrangements for the prevention of blood-borne virus exposure as substantially compliant on the self-assessment.

The practice has a policy and procedure in place for the prevention and management of bloodborne virus exposure, including management of spillages, sharps and inoculation incidents in accordance with national guidance.

Review of documentation and discussion with staff evidenced that:

- the prevention and management of blood-borne virus exposure is included in the staff induction programme; and
- staff training has been provided for clinical staff.

Mr Moles confirmed that the practice has not employed any new staff in almost eight years, and that in the future newly recruited clinical staff will receive an occupational health check.

Mr Moles confirmed that all clinical staff have recently had their Hepatitis B titre levels checked, however records confirming the Hepatitis B immunisation status have not been retained in the practice and a recommendation was made to address this.

Discussion with staff confirmed that they are aware of the policies and procedures in place for the prevention and management of blood-borne virus exposure.

Observations made and discussion with staff evidenced that sharps are appropriately handled. Sharps boxes are housed in cupboards to prevent unauthorised access, appropriately used, signed and dated on assembly and final closure. Used sharps boxes are locked with the integral lock and stored ready for collection away from public access.

Discussion with staff and review of documentation evidenced that arrangements are in place for the management of a sharps injury, including needle stick injury. Staff are aware of the actions to be taken in the event of a sharps injury.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant

10.2 Environmental design and cleaning

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care)
The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criterion Assessed:

13.1 Your dental service's premises are clean.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice arrangements for environmental design and cleaning as substantially compliant on the self-assessment.

A number of issues were identified in relation to environmental cleaning. Review of documentation and discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that cleaning schedules have recently been developed, however an environmental cleaning policy has yet to be established. Discussion with staff also demonstrated that one mop and one mop bucket is used to clean the different areas in the practice. A recommendation was made to address these issues. Following this inspection the NHS National Patient Safety Agency cleanliness guidelines were emailed to Mr Moles.

The inspector undertook a tour of the premises which were found to be maintained to a good standard of cleanliness. The dental surgery and decontamination room were tidy and uncluttered and work surfaces were intact and easy to clean. Floor coverings are impervious and were sealed where they meet the kicker boards of cabinetry. As discussed previously floors in clinical areas are not sealed where they meet the skirting boards and a recommendation was made to address this. Fixtures, fittings, dental chairs and equipment were free from damage, dust and visible dirt.

Discussion with staff confirmed that appropriate arrangements are in place for cleaning including:

- Equipment surfaces, including the dental chair, are cleaned between each patient;
- Daily cleaning of floors, cupboard doors and accessible high level surfaces;
- Weekly/monthly cleaning schedule;
- Cleaning equipment is stored in a non-clinical area; and
- Dirty water is disposed of at an appropriate location.

Discussion with staff and review of submitted questionnaires confirmed that staff had received relevant training to undertake their duties.

The practice has a local policy and procedure for spillage in accordance with the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) and staff spoken with demonstrated awareness of this.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant

10.3 Hand Hygiene

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care)

The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criteria Assessed:

- **13.2** Your dental service adheres to the appropriate infection control policies and procedures in line with current best practice and legislation.
- **13.3** Your dental service has systems in place, including induction and ongoing training, to make sure these policies and procedures are known, and are being appropriately applied to the service at all times.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice arrangements for hand hygiene as substantially compliant on the self-assessment.

The practice has a hand hygiene policy and procedure in place.

Review of documentation demonstrated that hand hygiene is included in the induction programme and staff confirmed that hand hygiene training is updated periodically.

Discussion with staff confirmed that hand hygiene is performed before and after each patient contact and at appropriate intervals. Observations made evidenced that clinical staff had short clean nails and jewellery such as wrist watches and stoned rings were not worn in keeping with good practice.

Dedicated hand washing basins are available in the dental surgery and the decontamination room and adequate supplies of liquid soap, paper towels and disinfectant rub/gel were available. Staff confirmed that nail brushes and bar soap are not used in the hand hygiene process in keeping with good practice. The taps in the dental surgery are twist operated, however staff demonstrated a non-touch technique when operating the taps. The inspector advised that during the next refurbishment of the dental surgery the dedicated hand washing basin should adhere to the specifications as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05.

Laminated /wipe-clean posters promoting hand hygiene were on display in dental surgeries, the decontamination room and toilet facilities.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant

10.4 Management of Dental Medical Devices

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care)

The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criterion Assessed:

13.4 Your dental service meets current best practice guidance on the decontamination of reusable dental and medical instruments.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice approach to the management of dental medical devices as substantially compliant on the self-assessment.

The practice has an infection control policy that includes procedures for the use, maintenance, service and repair of all medical devices.

The inspector reviewed the written scheme for the prevention of legionella contamination in water pipes and other water lines and discussion with Mr Moles and staff confirmed that this is adhered to. A recommendation was made that the legionella control measures should be further developed to reduce the risk of legionella to include monthly monitoring of hot and cold sentinel water temperatures. Records should be retained for inspection.

Staff confirmed that impression materials, prosthetic and orthodontic appliances are decontaminated prior to despatch to laboratory and before being placed in the patient's mouth.

Observations made and discussion with staff confirmed that arrangements are in place to manage the DUWLs. This includes that:

- Filters are cleaned/replaced as per manufacturer's instructions;
- An independent bottled-water system is used to dispense distilled water to supply the DUWLs;
- Self-contained water bottles are removed, flushed with distilled water and left open to the air for drying on a daily basis in accordance with manufacturer's guidance;
- DUWLs are drained at the end of each working day:
- DUWLs are flushed at the start of each working day and between every patient; and
- DUWLs and handpieces are fitted with anti-retraction valves.

Discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that DUWLs are not purged using a disinfectant. A recommendation was made to ensure the DUWLs are purged using a disinfectant in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions or in keeping with best practice guidance as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant

10.5 Personal Protective Equipment

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care)
The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criterion Assessed:

13.2 Your dental service adheres to the appropriate infection control policies and procedures in line with current best practice and legislation.

13.3 Your dental service has systems in place, including induction and ongoing training, to make sure these policies and procedures are known, and are being appropriately applied to the service at all times.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice approach to the management of personal protective equipment (PPE) as compliant on the self-assessment.

The practice has a policy and procedure in place for the use of PPE and staff spoken with demonstrated awareness of this. Review of documentation demonstrated that the use of PPE is included in the induction programme.

Observations made and discussion with staff evidenced that PPE was readily available and in use in the practice.

Discussion with staff confirmed that:

- Hand hygiene is performed before donning and following the removal of disposable gloves;
- Single use PPE is disposed of appropriately after each episode of patient care;
- Heavy duty gloves are available for domestic cleaning and decontamination procedures where necessary; and
- Eye protection for staff and patients is decontaminated after each episode.

Staff confirmed that they were aware of the practice uniform policy.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant

10.6 Waste

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care) The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criterion Assessed:

- **13.2** Your dental service adheres to the appropriate infection control policies and procedures in line with current best practice and legislation.
- **13.3** Your dental service has systems in place, including induction and ongoing training, to make sure these policies and procedures are known, and are being appropriately applied to the service at all times..

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the practice approach to the management of waste as substantially compliant on the self-assessment.

The practice has a policy and procedure in place for the management and disposal of waste in keeping with HTM 07-01. Review of documentation demonstrated that the management of waste is included in the induction programme and staff confirmed that waste management training is updated periodically.

Review of documentation confirmed that contracted arrangements are in place for the disposal of waste by a registered waste carrier and relevant consignment notes are retained in the practice for at least three years.

Observations made and discussion with staff confirmed that they are aware of the different types of waste and appropriate disposal streams.

Pedal operated bins are available throughout the practice.

Appropriate arrangements are in place in the practice for the storage and collection of general and clinical waste, including sharps waste.

The inspector observed adequate provision of sharps containers including those for pharmaceutical waste, throughout the practice. These were being appropriately managed as discussed in section 10.1 of the report.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Substantially compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant

10.7 Decontamination

STANDARD 13 – Prevention and Control of Infection (Safe and effective care) The dental service takes every reasonable precaution to make sure you are not exposed to risk of infection.

Criterion Assessed: 13.4

Your dental service meets current best practice guidance on the decontamination of reusable dental and medical instruments.

Inspection Findings:

Mr Moles rated the decontamination arrangements of the practice as compliant on the self-assessment.

A decontamination room separate from patient treatment areas and dedicated to the decontamination process is available.

As discussed previously the decontamination room does not have a ventilation system and a recommendation has been made to address this.

Appropriate equipment, including a washer disinfector and two steam sterilisers have been provided to meet the practice requirements. Only one of the steam sterilisers is in routine use, the second steam steriliser has been retained for use in the event of the primary steam steriliser being temporarily unavailable.

Review of documentation demonstrated that the equipment used in the decontamination process was last validated on the 19 December 2013, this equipment was due revalidation on or before the 18 December 2014. Mr Moles confirmed that a service engineer has been scheduled to validate this equipment before the end of January 2015, and that due to the engineers work commitments this was the earliest appointment he could secure. A recommendation was made to submit a copy of the validation documentation on return of the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP).

Review of equipment logbooks evidenced that periodic tests are undertaken and recorded in keeping with HTM 01-05, with the exception of the details of the daily automatic control test (ACT) in regards to the steam steriliser. A recommendation was made to address this.

A copy of the updated 2013 edition of HTM 01-05 Decontamination in primary care dental practices is available for staff reference. Review of documentation demonstrated that the most recent occasion the Infection Prevention Society (IPS) audit tool was completed was during October 2013. The IPS audit tool should be completed every six months and a recommendation was made to address this.

Provider's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant
Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance level against the standard assessed	Moving towards compliance

Inspector's overall assessment of the dental practice's compliance	Compliance Level
level against the standard assessed	Moving towards
	compliance

11.0 Additional Areas Examined

11.1 Staff Consultation/Questionnaires

During the course of the inspection, the inspector spoke with two dental nurses. Questionnaires were also provided to staff prior to the inspection by the practice on behalf of the RQIA. Three were returned to RQIA within the timescale required.

Review of submitted questionnaires and discussion with staff evidenced that staff were knowledgeable regarding the inspection theme and that they have received training appropriate to their relevant roles. Staff confirmed that they are familiar with the practice policies and procedures and have received infection prevention and control training. Clinical staff confirmed that they have been immunised against Hepatitis B. One questionnaire indicated that the practice did not have an environmental cleaning policy, as previously discussed a recommendation was made to address this.

11.2 Patient Consultation

Mr Moles confirmed on the submitted self-assessment that arrangements are in place for consultation with patients, at appropriate intervals, that feedback provided by patients has been used by the service to improve, and that results of the consultation have been made available to patients. Discussion with Mr Moles demonstrated that the most recent patient satisfaction surveys were undertaken during September 2013. Arrangements should be in place for consultation with patients at least on an annual basis and a recommendation was made to address this.

12.0 Quality Improvement Plan

The details of the Quality Improvement Plan appended to this report were discussed with Mr Moles as part of the inspection process.

The timescales for completion commence from the date of inspection.

The registered provider/manager is required to record comments on the Quality Improvement Plan.

Matters to be addressed as a result of this inspection are set in the context of the current registration of your premises. The registration is not transferable so that in the event of any future application to alter, extend or to sell the premises the RQIA would apply standards current at the time of that application.

Enquiries relating to this report should be addressed to:

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Quality Improvement Plan

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The areas where the service needs to improve, as identified during this inspection visit, are detailed in the inspection report and Quality Improvement Plan.

The specific actions set out in the Quality Improvement Plan were discussed with Mr Roger Moles either during or after the inspection visit.

Any matters that require completion within 28 days of the inspection visit have also been set out in separate correspondence to the registered persons.

Registered providers/managers should note that failure to comply with regulations may lead to further enforcement and/or prosecution action as set out in The HPSS (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003.

It is the responsibility of the registered provider/manager to ensure that all requirements and recommendations contained within the Quality Improvement Plan are addressed within the specified timescales.

Matters to be addressed as a result of this inspection are set in the context of the current registration of your premises. The registration is not transferable so that in the event of any future application to alter, extend or to sell the premises the RQIA would apply standards current at the time of that application.

RECOMMENDATIONS

These recommendations are based on The Minimum Standards for Dental Care and Treatment (2011), research or recognised sources.

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NO.	MINIMUM STANDARD REFERENCE	RECOMMENDATIONS	NUMBER OF TIMES STATED	DETAILS OF ACTION TAKEN BY REGISTERED PERSON(S)	TIMESCALE		
1	13	Floors in the dental surgery and the decontamination room should be sealed where they meet the skirting boards.	One	joiner contacted to carry out same	Two months		
		Ref: 9.0 & 10.2					
2	13	A ventilation system in keeping with the specifications as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05 should be installed in the decontamination room.	One	joiner contacted to carry out same	Three months		
		Ref: 9.0 & 10.7					
3	13	The details of the daily automatic control test for the steam steriliser should be recorded in the machine logbook.	One	in place	Immediate and on-going		
		Ref: 9.0 & 10.7					
4	13	Records confirming the Hepatitis B immunisation status of all clinical staff should be retained in the practice. Ref: 10.1	One	currently being aqquired.When one staff member approached gmp for result they had in fact tested her for Hep B so test having to be redone.	One month		
5	13	The following issues in relation to environmental cleaning should be addressed: • An environmental cleaning policy should be established, this should include the roles and responsibilities of staff including the contracted	One	policy still under under development.Additional cleaning equipment purchased as suggested on day of inspection	Two months		

		cleaner, the arrangements for cleaning the environment, and guidance on the colour coding of cleaning equipment; and Review the provision of cleaning equipment in accordance with the National Patient Safety Agency and ensure that sufficient equipment is available to clean the different designated areas within the practice. Ref: 10.2			
6	13	The legionella control measures should be further developed to reduce the risk of legionella to include monthly monitoring of hot and cold sentinel water temperatures. Records should be retained for inspection. Ref: 10.4	One	.in place	One month
7	13	Ensure the DUWLs are purged using a disinfectant in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions or in keeping with best practice guidance as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05. Ref: 10.4	One	in place	One month
8	13	A copy of the washer disinfector and steam steriliser validation certificates should be submitted to RQIA. Ref: 10.7	One	validation carried out 27/01/15. documents attached as requested	On return of the Quality Improvement Plan

9	13	The Infection Prevention Society (IPS) audit	One	done	Two months

		tool should be completed every six months in keeping with best practice guidance as outlined in the 2013 edition of HTM 01-05. Ref: 10.7			
10	9	Arrangements should be in place for consultation with patients, on at least an annual basis.	One	being carried out	Two months
		The results of the patient consultation should be collated in a summative report and made available to patients.			
		Ref: 11.2			

Please complete the following table to demonstrate that this Quality Improvement Plan has been completed by the registered manager and approved by the responsible person / identified responsible person and return to independent.healthcare@rgia.org.uk

Name of Registered Manager Completing QIP	
Name of Responsible Person / Identified Responsible Person Approving QIP	roger moles

QIP Position Based on Comments from Registered Persons	Yes	Inspector	Date
Response assessed by inspector as acceptable	Yes	Stephen O'Connor	02/03/2015
Further information requested from provider	No	Stephen O'Connor	02/03/2015



Self Assessment audit tool of compliance with HTM01-05 - Decontamination - Cross Infection Control

Name of practice: Kilrea Dental Surgery

RQIA ID: 11552

Name of inspector: Stephen O'Connor

This self-assessment tool should be completed in reflection of the current decontamination and cross infection control arrangements in your practice.

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1 Prevention of bloodborne virus exposure						
Inspection criteria (Numbers in brackets reflect HTM 01-05/policy reference)	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.			
1.1 Does the practice have a policy and procedure/s in place for the prevention and management of blood borne virus exposure, including management of spillages, sharps and inoculation incidents in accordance with national guidance? (2.6)	X					
1.2 Have all staff received training in relation to the prevention and management of blood-borne virus exposure? (1.22, 9.1, 9.5)	X					
1.3 Have all staff at risk from sharps injuries received an Occupational Health check in relation to risk reduction in bloodborne virus transmission and general infection? (2.6)	X					
1.4 Can decontamination and clinical staff demonstrate current immunisation with the hepatitis B vaccine e.g. documentation? (2.4s, 8.8)			staff currently having antibody titre tests done			
1.5 Are chlorine-releasing agents available for blood /bodily fluid spillages and used as per manufacturer's instructions? (6.74)	X					
1.6 Management of sharps	Х					
Any references to sharps management should be read in conjunction with The Health and Safety (Sharp Instruments in Healthcare) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013 Are sharps containers correctly assembled?						

1.7 Are in-use sharps containers labelled with date, locality and a signature?	X	·	
1.8 Are sharps containers replaced when filled to the indicator mark?	X		
1.9 Are sharps containers locked with the integral lock when filled to the indicator mark? Then dated and signed?	X		
1.10 Are full sharps containers stored in a secure facility away from public access?	X		
1.11 Are sharps containers available at the point of use and positioned safely (e.g. wall mounted)?	Х		
1.12 Is there a readily-accessible protocol in place that ensures staff are dealt with in accordance with national guidance in the event of blood-borne virus exposure? (2.6)	Х		
1.13 Are inoculation injuries recorded?	Х	never had any	
1.14 Are disposable needles and disposable syringes discarded as a single unit?		N/A	
Provider's level of compliance	<u> </u>	Substantially compli	ant

2 Environmental design and clear	ning		
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.
2.1 Does the practice have a policy and procedure for cleaning and maintaining the environment? (2.6, 6.54)			currently under development
2.2 Have staff undertaking cleaning duties been fully trained to undertake such duties? (6.55)	X		
2.3 Is the overall appearance of the clinical and decontamination environment tidy and uncluttered? (5.6)	X		
2.4 Is the dental chair cleaned between each patient? (6.46, 6.62)	Х		
2.5 Is the dental chair free from rips or tears? (6.62)	Х		
2.6 Are all surfaces i.e. walls, floors, ceilings, fixtures and fittings and chairs free from damage and abrasion? (6.38)	X		
2.7 Are all work-surface joints intact, seamless, with no visible damage? (6.46, 6.47)	X		
2.8 Are all surfaces i.e. walls, floors, ceilings, fixtures and fittings and chairs free from dust and visible dirt? (6.38)	X		
2.9 Are the surfaces of accessible ventilation fittings/grills cleaned at a minimum weekly? (6.64)			N/A
2.10 Are all surfaces including flooring in clinical and decontamination areas impervious and easy to clean? (6.46, 6.64)	X		

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2.11 Do all floor coverings in clinical and decontamination areas have coved edges that are sealed and impervious to moisture? (6.47)		X	
2.12 Are keyboard covers or "easy-clean" waterproof keyboards used in clinical areas? (6.66)			
2.13 Are toys provided easily cleaned? (6.73)	X		
2.14 Confirm free standing or ceiling mounted fans are not used in clinical/ decontamination areas? (6.40)	X		
2.15 Is cleaning equipment colour- coded, in accordance with the National Patient Safety Agency recommendations as detailed in HTM 01-05? (6.53)			
2.16 Is cleaning equipment stored in a non-clinical area? (6.60)	Х		
2.17 Where disposable single-use covers are used, are they discarded after each patient contact? (6.65)	х		
2.18 Are the surfaces of equipment cleaned between each patient (E.g. work surfaces, dental chairs, curing lamps, delivery units, inspection handles and lights, spittoons, external surface of aspirator and X-ray heads)? (6.62)	Х		curing lamps used with disposable sleeves
2.19 Are all taps, drainage points, splash backs, sinks, aspirators, drains, spittoons, cleaned after every session with a surfactant/detergent? (6.63)	X		
2.20 Are floors, cupboard doors and accessible high level surfaces and floors cleaned daily? (6.63)	х		

2.21 Is there a designated area for the disposal of dirty water, which is outside the kitchen, clinical and decontamination areas; for example toilet, drain or slophopper (slop hopper is a device used for the disposal of liquid or solid waste)?	X			
2.22 Does the practice have a local policy and procedure/s for spillage in accordance with COSHH? (2.4d, 2.6)		being loc	oked	at currently
Provider's level of compliance	1			Substantially compliant

3 Hand hygiene			
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.
3.1 Does the practice have a local policy and procedure for hand hygiene? (2.6 Appendix 1)	х		
3.2 Is hand hygiene an integral part of staff induction? (6.3)	х		
3.3 Is hand hygiene training provided periodically throughout the year? (1.22, 6.3)	х		
3.4 Is hand hygiene carried out before and after every new patient contact? (Appendix 1)	х		
3.5 Is hand hygiene performed before donning and following the removal of gloves? (6.4, Appendix 1)	х		
3.6 Do all staff involved in any clinical and decontamination procedures have short nails that are clean and free from nail extensions and varnish? (6.8, 6.23, Appendix 1)	х		
3.7 Do all clinical and decontamination staff remove wrist watches, wrist jewellery, rings with stones during clinical and decontamination procedures? (6.9, 6.22)	х		
3.8 Are there laminated or wipeclean posters promoting hand hygiene on display? (6.12)	Х		
3.9 Is there a separate dedicated hand basin provided for hand hygiene in each surgery where clinical practice takes place? (2.4g, 6.10)	X		
3.10 Is there a separate dedicated hand basin available in each room where the decontamination of	Х		

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		currently have overflows,plumber contacted to rectify
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4 Management of dental medical devices					
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.		
4.1 Does the practice have an infection control policy that includes procedures for the use, maintenance, service and repair of all medical devices? (1.18, 2.4a, 2.6, 2.7, 3.54)	X				
4.2 Has the practice carried out a risk assessment for legionella under the Health and Safety Commission's "Legionnaires' disease - the control of legionella bacteria in water systems Approved Code of Practice and Guidance" (also known as L8)? (6.75-6.90, 19.0)	X				
4.3 Has the practice a written scheme for prevention of legionella contamination in water pipes and other water lines?(6.75, 19.2)	Х				
4.4 Impression material, prosthetic and orthodontic appliances: Are impression materials, prosthetic and orthodontic appliances decontaminated in the surgery prior to despatch to laboratory in accordance with manufacturer's instructions?(7.0)	х				
4.5 Impression material, prosthetic and orthodontic appliances: Are prosthetic and orthodontic appliances decontaminated before being placed in the patient's mouth? (7.1b)	х				
4.6 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are in-line filters cleaned/replaced as per manufacturer's instructions?(6.89, 6.90)			n/a		
4.7 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Is there an independent bottled-water system used to	Х				

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dispense distilled, reverse osmosis (RO) or sterile water to supply the DUWL? (6.84)			
4.8 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): For dental surgical procedures involving irrigation; is a separate single-use sterile water source used for irrigation? (6.91)		х	
4.9 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are the DUWLs drained down at the end of every working day?(6.82)	х		
4.10 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are self-contained water bottles (bottled water system) removed, flushed with distilled or RO water and left open to the air for drying on a daily basis, and if necessary overnight, and in accordance with manufacturer's guidance? (6.83)	X		
4.11 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Where bottled water systems are not used is there a physical air gap separating dental unit waterlines from mains water systems. (Type A)?(6.84)	х		
4.12 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are DUWLs flushed for a minimum of 2 minutes at start of each working day and for a minimum of 20-30 seconds between every patient? (6.85)	X		
4.13 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are all DUWL and hand pieces fitted with anti-retraction valves? (6.87)	х		
4.14 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are DUWLs either disposable or purged using manufacturer's recommended disinfectants? (6.84-6.86)			n/a
4.15 Dental Unit Water lines (DUWLs): Are DUWL filters changed according to the			n/a

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manufacturer's guidelines? (6.89)		
Provider's level of compliance		Substantially compliant

5 Personal Protective Equipment					
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.		
5.1 Does the practice have a policy and procedures for the use of personal protective equipment? (2.6, 6.13)	х				
5.2 Are staff trained in the use of personal protective equipment as part of the practice induction? (6.13)	х				
5.3 Are powder-free CE marked gloves used in the practice? (6.20)	Х				
5.4 Are alternatives to latex gloves available? (6.19, 6.20)	х				
5.5 Are all single-use PPE disposed of after each episode of patient care? (6.21, 6.25, 6.36c)	Х				
5.6 Is hand hygiene performed before donning and following the removal of gloves? (6.4 Appendix 1)	х				
5.7 Are clean, heavy duty household gloves available for domestic cleaning and decontamination procedures where necessary? (6.23)	х				
5.8 Are heavy-duty household gloves washed with detergent and hot water and left to dry after each use? (6.23)	X				
5.9 Are heavy-duty household gloves replaced weekly or more frequently if worn or torn? (6.23)	х				

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5.10 Are disposable plastic aprons worn during all decontamination processes or clinical procedures where there is a risk that clothing/uniform may become contaminated? (6.14, 6.24-6.25)	X			
5.11 Are single-use plastic aprons disposed of as clinical waste after each procedure? (6.25)	Х			
5.12 Are plastic aprons, goggles, masks or face shields used for any clinical and decontamination procedures where there is a danger of splashes? (6.14, 6.26-6.29)	Х			
5.13 Are masks disposed of as clinical waste after each use? (6.27, 6.36)	х			
5.14 Are all items of PPE stored in accordance with manufacturers' instructions? (6.14)	Х			
5.15 Are uniforms worn by all staff changed at the end of each day and when visibly contaminated? (6.34)	Х			
5.16 Is eye protection for staff used during decontamination procedures cleaned after each session or sooner if visibly contaminated? (6.29)	Х			
5.17 Is eye protection provided for the patient and staff decontaminated after each episode of patient care? (6.29)	х			
Provider's level of compliance			Compliant	

6 Waste					
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 07-01.		
6.1 Does the practice have a policy and procedure/s for the management and disposal of waste? (2.6, 6.1 (07-01) 6.4 (07-01))	х				
6.2 Have all staff attended induction and on-going training in the process of waste disposal? (1.22, 6.43 (07-01) 6.51 (07-01))	х				
6.3 Is there evidence that the waste contractor is a registered waste carrier? (6.87 (07-01) 6.90 (07-01))	Х				
6.4 Are all disposable PPE disposed of as clinical waste? (6.26, 6.27, 6.36, HTM 07-01 PEL (13) 14)	Х				
6.5 Are orange bags used for infectious Category B waste such as blooded swabs and blood contaminated gloves? (HTM 07-01, PEL (13) 14, 5.39 (07-01) Chapter 10 - Dental 12 (07-01))	Х				
6.6 Are black/orange bags used for offensive/hygiene waste such as non-infectious recognisable healthcare waste e.g. gowns, tissues, non-contaminated gloves, X-ray film, etc, which are not contaminated with saliva, blood, medicines, chemicals or amalgam? (HTM 07-01, PEL (13) 14, 5.50 (07-01) Chapter 10-Dental 8 (07-01))	X				
6.8 Are black/clear bags used for domestic waste including paper towels? (HTM 07-01, PEL (13) 14, 5.51 (07-01))			paper towels disposed of along with clinical waste		
6.9 Are bins foot operated or sensor controlled, lidded and in good working order? (5.90 (07-01))	Х				

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6.10 Are local anaesthetic cartridges and other Prescription Only Medicines (POMs) disposed of in yellow containers with a purple lid that conforms to BS 7320 (1990)/UN 3291? (HTM 07-01 PEL (13) 14, Chapter 10 - Dental 11 (07-01))		х		idges disposed of in sharps ovided by Cannon OCS
6.11 Are clinical waste sacks securely tied and sharps containers locked before disposal? (5.87 (07-01))	х			
6.12 Are all clinical waste bags and sharps containers labelled before disposal? (5.23 (07-01), 5.25 (07-01))	х			
6.13 Is waste awaiting collection stored in a safe and secure location away from the public within the practice premises? (5.33 (07-01), 5.96 (07-01))	х			
6.14 Are all clinical waste bags fully described using the appropriate European Waste Catalogue (EWC) Codes as listed in HTM 07-01 (Safe Management of Healthcare Waste)?(3.32 (07-01))	x			
6.15 Are all consignment notes for all hazardous waste retained for at least 3 years?(6.105 (07-01))	х			
6.16 Has the practice been assured that a "duty of care" audit has been undertaken and recorded from producer to final disposal? (6.1 (07-01), 6.9 (07-01))	х			
6.17 Is there evidence the practice is segregating waste in accordance with HTM 07-01? (5.86 (07-01), 5.88 (07-01), 4.18 (07-01))	х			
Provider's level of compliance				Substantially compliant

7 Decontamination				
Inspection criteria	Yes	No	If NO provide rationale and actions to be taken with timescales to achieve compliance with HTM 01-05.	
7.1 Does the practice have a room separate from the patient treatment area, dedicated to decontamination meeting best practice standards? (5.3–5.8)	х			
7.2 Does the practice have washer disinfector(s) in sufficient numbers to meet the practice requirements? (PEL(13)13)	Х			
7.3 Are all reusable instruments being disinfected using the washer disinfector? (PEL(13)13)	х			
7.4 Does the practice have steam sterilisers in sufficient numbers to meet the practice requirements?	Х			
7.5 a Has all equipment used in the decontamination process been validated?	Х			
7.5 b Are arrangements in place to ensure that all equipment is validated annually? (1.9, 11.1, 11.6, 12,13, 14.1, 14.2, 15.6)	x			
7.6 Have separate log books been established for each piece of equipment?	х			
Does the log book contain all relevant information as outlined in HTM01-05? (11.9)	x			

7.7 a Are daily, weekly, monthly periodic tests undertaken and recorded in the log books as outlined in HTM 01-05? (12, 13, 14)

7.7 b Is there a system in place to record cycle parameters of equipment such as a data logger?

Provider's level of compliance

Compliant

Please provide any comments you wish to add regarding good practice

Appendix 1



Name of practice: Kilrea Dental Surgery

Declaration on consultation with patients

The need for consultation with patients is outlined in The Independent Health Care Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005, Regulation 17(3) and The Minimum Standards for Dental Care and Treatment 2011, Standard 9.

1	Do you har intervals?	ve a system in plac	ce for co	nsultation with patients, undertaken at appropriate
	Yes	х	No	
	If no or of	ther please give de	etails:	
2	If appropria	ate has the feedba	ck provid	ded by patients been used by the service to improve?
	Yes		No	
3	Are the res	sults of the consult	ation ma	de available to patients?
	Yes	Х	No	