



# Infection Prevention and Control

Patient and visitor information – Easy Read



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# Our Trust wants to help stop people getting infections.

This leaflet tells you about infections and what you can do to help.

#### What causes infections? (Germs)



Germs can move from one person to another



Touching patient or things that has germs



Not washing our hands after going to the toilet

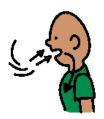


Touching animals

### Infections can happen if germs enter the body by:



Swallowing



Breathing



A drip or urine catheter (tube)



Wounds or cuts

## Infections (germs) can happen anywhere. People most likely to become unwell (poorly) are:



People having operations



Young people and older people



#### How can you help?

#### Please tell us if you have:



Stayed in hospital





Have a cold (runny nose, coughing)



Have sickness or diarrhoea (tummy upset)

#### If you are in hospital:





Wash your hands after using the toilet





Wash your hands before you eat



Wash and keep clean

#### If you are a Visitor:



Don't visit the ward if you are poorly

#### What is our Trust doing to help?

#### We are telling our staff, patients and visitors about:



Training (teaching)



Handwashing



Cleaning

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