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# Board Meeting: 29 March 2018

**Subject:** Healthcare Associated Infection Reporting Template (HAIRT) January 2018 data.

**Recommendation:** Board members are asked to note and approve publication of the HAIRT report (January 2018 data).

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## 1 Background

This paper is presented as advised by the Scottish Government HAI Task Force and informs the NHS National Waiting Times Centre Board of activity around key Infection Control issues including bacteraemia, healthcare acquired Meticillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), Clostridium Difficile Infection (CDI) and Surgical Site Infection (SSI) rates.

The organisation has systems in place to monitor key delivery areas and to give early indication if problems should arise. The Prevention and Control of Infection Team (PCIT) provides key data to each unit monthly, detailing bacteraemia, HAI MRSA, SSI and Clostridium difficile rates.

1. **Key Issues**
   1. **Surgical Site Infection**

Health Protection Scotland (HPS) changed their SSI protocol in January 2018 to continue surveillance up to 30 days then report infection status, instead of at point of identification as previously.

* 1. **Hand Hygiene compliance**

Medical staff compliance has been problematic. The Medical Director has issued an email to the medical leads reminding them of the policy. The zero tolerance algorithm is available for staff to escalate sustained non compliance.

1. **Recommendations**

Board members are asked to note this report and be informed of our current position. On approval the HAIRT report should be made available to the public via the Board website.

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**16 March 2018**

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