

Putting prevention first: Leadership and action on reducing healthcare associated infections workshop – 17 May 2018 –

TOPIC: Increasing IPC activity in primary care settings

Our one big idea

National recognition that funding, education & implementation of IPC should be enhanced in primary care settings

(e.g. LTCF, GP practices, dental)

Main points of the conversation/emerging themes

- IPC practitioners are currently largely secondary care based
- Areas of infection in the elderly, gaps in AMR, gaps in IPC knowledge are often importantly prevented or detected early in primary care
- IPC in primary care could prove to be very cost effective
- High expectations of IPC standards in hospitals, but not in some other healthcare settings

Ideas/questions/issues for further discussion

- Long term care facilities and an Agenda for HQSC, for IPC and AMR
- Better ways to fund and build relationships for IPC nurses working for DHB's
- How do we lobby for more funding to go into IPC in primary care settings?



