

IC1:0100 Purpose of the Infection Control Manual

The purpose of this manual – Infection Control Manual (ICM) – is to provide Fraser Health residential care facilities with infection control standards and procedures based on current evidence based practice, research and legislation and infection control guidelines and tools to support an effective and safe program for residents and staff. All residential care facilities must have an infection control program that reflects infection control principles.

Providing a home-like environment poses specific issues for residential care facilities (e.g. visiting hairdressers, paraprofessionals, visitors and companion animals). These issues require an individual residential facility approach within the principles of infection control. Consequently, residential care facilities should use the manual as a base line resource and supplement it with additional procedures and resources to meet individual facility infection control requirements.