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INFECTION CONTROL

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In this episode of Infection Control Matters, Martin Kiernan talks to Brett Mitchell about a new review of RCTs in IPC over the past two decades.



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Hand Hygiene Technical Reference Manual



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- **Respiratory Risk Assessment Toolkit** (Royal College of Nursing)
- **Aseptic Technique** (Royal Marsden Manual of Clinical and Cancer Nursing Procedures)*
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- **Personal protective equipment** (BJNinform)*

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LATEST RESEARCH

Batalla, M.G.A. et al. (2026). Embedding the hand-hygiene champion role to improve compliance in intensive care. *British Journal of Nursing*. 35(15), pp.754–758. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.12968/bjon.2026.0136>

Mandal, A. et al. (2025). Handwashing by healthcare staff using a modified Ayliffe technique to prevent infection transmission. *British Journal of Nursing*. 34(17), pp.868–876. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.12968/bjon.2025.0288>



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Geng, Y. et al. (2025). Infection prevention and control measures for multidrug-resistant organisms: a systematic review and network meta-analysis. Infection. 53, pp.1789-1800. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.1007/s15010-025-02498-9>

Sarivougioukas, J. et al. (2026). Prevention, Detection and Response of Hospital Acquired Infections: The Necessity of a Hospital Infection Information System. Studies in health technology and informatics. Jun 29(338), pp.166-170. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.3233/shti260822>

Al-Quraan, H.A. et al. (2024). Knowledge and practice of infection control measures among nurses in Jordan. British Journal of Healthcare Management. 30(4), pp.1-9. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.12968/bjhc.2023.0075>

Ellis, P. (2026). Care certificate: infection prevention and control. British Journal of Healthcare Assistants. 20(4), pp.2-4. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.12968/bjha.2026.0004>

Doddangoudar, V.C. et al. (2026). Bare-below-the-elbow based hand hygiene intervention to improve compliance among allied healthcare professionals and students. Journal of Infection Prevention. 27(4), pp.194-197. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.1177/17571774261440776>

Leonard, M. et al. (2026). Clinical waste management. Infection Prevention in Practice. 8(4), p.100573. [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.infpip.2026.100573>

Mmolai, S. et al. (2026). Stewarding the hospital sink drain: a narrative review of practical approaches for controlling gram negative pathogens in low- and middle-income countries. Antimicrobial Resistance and Infection Control. 15(25), [Online]. **Available at:** <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13756-026-01701-2>

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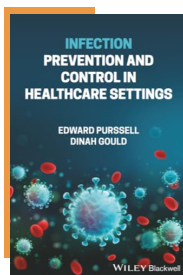
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