Standard 15 Infection Prevention and Control

**Learning Outcome -The learner will:**

**Assessment Criteria – The learner can:**

**15.1a** In order to prevent the spread of infection you need to know how harmful organisms (pathogens) can get into the body. Describe the three main ways of how an infection can get into the body.

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**15.1c** Workers have an important role in preventing infection spread, not only because they can spread pathogens between individuals but also because they can host or carry a pathogen. Therefore workers should practise good personal and hand hygiene. Think of someone you support and use three examples to explain how your own health or hygiene might pose a risk to this individual.

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| **Illness** |  |
| **Clothing** |  |
| **Personal hygiene** |  |
| **Skin health** |  |
| **Hand hygiene** |  |

**15.1d** The law says workers should be provided with the correct materials and equipment to protect them from injury and, as far as possible, from the risk of infection while at work.

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| **Type of PPE, equipment or procedure** | **How and when would you have to use it?** |
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**15.1e** Handling infected waste and soiled linen in agreed ways can help to prevent the spread of pathogens. Explain how to deal with soiled linen and clinical waste in a safe way.

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| Actions to prevent the spread of pathogens when handling soiled linen… | Actions to prevent the spread of pathogens when disposing of clinical waste… |
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| **Assessor Feedback: Date:** |

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