

Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) Lapse Report

Initial Report

Premise/facility under investigation:

Dr. George Philteos & Associates – Durham Pulmonary & Sleep Services

Address:

201-601 Harwood Ave S., Ajax ON., L1S 2J5

Type of premise/facility: Medical Clinic

IPAC Lapse Details

Date board of health became aware of potential IPAC lapse: 2024-05-17

Date IPAC lapse was linked to premise/facility: 2024-05-21

Date of initial report posting: 2024-05-31

How the potential IPAC lapse was identified: Complaint

Summary description of the IPAC lapse:

- Reprocessing, recordkeeping, and training of staff involved in reprocessing not meeting the Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC) Best Practices for Cleaning, Disinfection and Sterilization of Medical Equipment/Devices.
- Incomplete Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) policies.

IPAC Lapse Investigation

Did the IPAC lapse involve a member of a regulatory college? Yes

If yes, was the issue referred to the regulatory college? Yes

Names of regulatory college and stakeholders notified:

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario on 2024-05-23

Were any corrective measures recommended and/or implemented? Yes

Please provide further details/steps:

Ensure there is a dedicated reprocessing area.

- Ensure proper cleaning and disinfection of all medical equipment as per the Manufacturer's Instructions for Use (MIFU) and PIDAC guidelines.
- Ensure a high-level disinfectant is acquired for proper disinfection.
- Ensure test strips for the high-level disinfectant are acquired.
- Obtain a dedicated cleaning brush. Ensure the cleaning brush is cleaned, disinfected, dried, and stored, or discarded after each use.
- Ensure expired disinfectants are not on-site.
- Ensure proper training is provided to all staff involved with reprocessing.
- Ensure IPAC policies and procedures are complete and in line with current IPAC guidance.

Date any order(s) or directive(s) were issued to the owner/operator:

- Order of a Public Health Inspector served (2024-05-23).
- Report of Inspection provided (2024-05-22, 2024-05-23, 2024-06-06)

Final Report

Date of final report posting: 2024-06-07

Date all corrective measures were confirmed: 2024-06-06

Brief description of corrective measures taken:

- All reprocessing, education, and training requirements were observed in compliance.
- All policies and procedures were approved.

Final Report Comments and Contact Information

Any additional comments: Operator education provided.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Durham Health Connection Line:

Telephone: 1-800-841-2729, or email us.