

Abbreviations

AAH	Antrim Area Hospital
A&E	accident and emergency (department)
BSO	business support organisation
BVH	Braid Valley Hospital
<i>C difficile</i>	<i>Clostridium difficile</i>
CDAD	<i>Clostridium difficile</i> associated diarrhoea (later known as CDI)
CDI	<i>Clostridium difficile</i> infection
CDSC(NI)	Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre (Northern Ireland)
CE	chief executive
CHT	cleaner hospitals team
CMO	chief medical officer
CNO	chief nursing officer
CSR	comprehensive spending review
DH	Department of Health (England)
DHSSPS	Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (Northern Ireland)
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
FOI	freedom of information
GRO	General Registry Office
HCAI	healthcare associated infection
HISC	Healthcare Associated Infection Surveillance Centre
HPSS	health and personal social services (later HSC)
HSC	health and social care
HPV	hydrogen peroxide vapour
ICD-10	<i>International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th revision</i> (WHO publication)
ICP	integrated care pathway
IoM	Institute of Medicine
IPC	infection prevention and control
IPCT	infection prevention and control team
MCCD	medical certificate of cause of death
MRSA	meticillin resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
MSSA	meticillin sensitive <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
MUH	Mid Ulster Hospital
MUST	malnutrition universal screening tool
NHS	National Health Service

NHSCT	Northern Health and Social Care Trust
NHSSB	Northern Health and Social Services Board
NI	Northern Ireland
NIPEC	Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery
NISRA	Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency
OCT	outbreak control team
PfA	priorities for action
POC	programme of care
PPE	personal protective equipment
PPI	public and patient involvement/proton pump inhibitor
RCA	root cause analysis
RPA	review of public administration
RQIA	Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority
SAI	serious adverse incident
SMT	senior management team
ToR	term of reference
The Trust	Northern Health and Social Care Trust
VHP	vaporised hydrogen peroxide
WH	Whiteabbey Hospital
WHO	World Health Organization