

STATES OF JERSEY



ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2009 (P.113/2008): EIGHTH AMENDMENT (P.113/2008 Amd.(8)) – COMMENTS

**Presented to the States on 8th September 2008
by the Minister for Health and Social Services**

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COMMENTS

This Amendment is accepted.

My Department is committed to reducing the incidence of hospital-acquired infections to alleviate the understandable fears and anxieties which many of our patients have when admitted to hospital. However, I am mindful that the incidence of MRSA and C Diff is lower than that in the United Kingdom by a significant margin and it remains problematic as to whether – at this stage in our infection control planning – it is possible to set even lower, achievable targets. In due course (when I receive our new infection control plan), I intend to invite the Deputy to become a member (or even become the Chair) of the Implementation Team which will have the responsibility of agreeing the key performance indicators as well as agreeing the actions which will be taken within and across my Department in this important field of medicine.