Appendix 2: Glossary of acronyms and abbreviations

Acronym Definition

iGAS invasive Group A Streptococcus

UKHSA UK Health Security Agency

SIGN Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network

GAS Group A Streptococcus

PCR Polymerase Chain Reaction

RCF Residential Care Facilities

CCF Childcare Facilities

PHRA Public Health Risk Assessment

RSV Respiratory Syncytial Virus

IMSRL Irish Meningitis & Sepsis Reference Laboratory

WGS Whole Genome Sequencing

IHR International Health Regulations

IATA International Aviation and Transport Authority

IQR Interquartile Range

OCT Outbreak Control Team

HSE Health Service Executive

HPSC Health Protection Surveillance Centre

LTRCF Long Term Residential Care Facility

IPC Infection, Prevention and Control

CPHM Consultant in Public Health

SPHM Specialist in Public Health

PEH People who Experience Homelessness

PWID People who Inject Drugs

PHE Public Health England

GPG Good Practice Guidance