

Antibiotic Prescription Guidebook



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ABBREVIATIONS

1. AB = Acinetobacter baumannii
2. PA = Pseudomonas aeruginosa
3. MSSA = Methicillin Sensitive Staph.aureus
4. MRSA = Methicillin Resistant Staph.aureus
5. CA-MRSA = Community Associated MRSA.
6. VRE = Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci
7. VRSA = Vancomycin Resistant Staph.aureus
8. ESBL = Extended Spectrum Beta Lactamases
9. MDR = Multi Drug Resistant
10. Piptazo = Piperacillin+Tazobactam
11. Ampisulb = Ampicillin+Sulbactam
12. CAI = Community Acquired Infections
13. HAI = Hospital Acquired Infections
14. NI = Nosocomial Infections
15. CLSI = Clinical Laboratory Standards Institute
16. EUCAST= European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing
17. CEFO SULB = Cefoparazone + Sulbactam



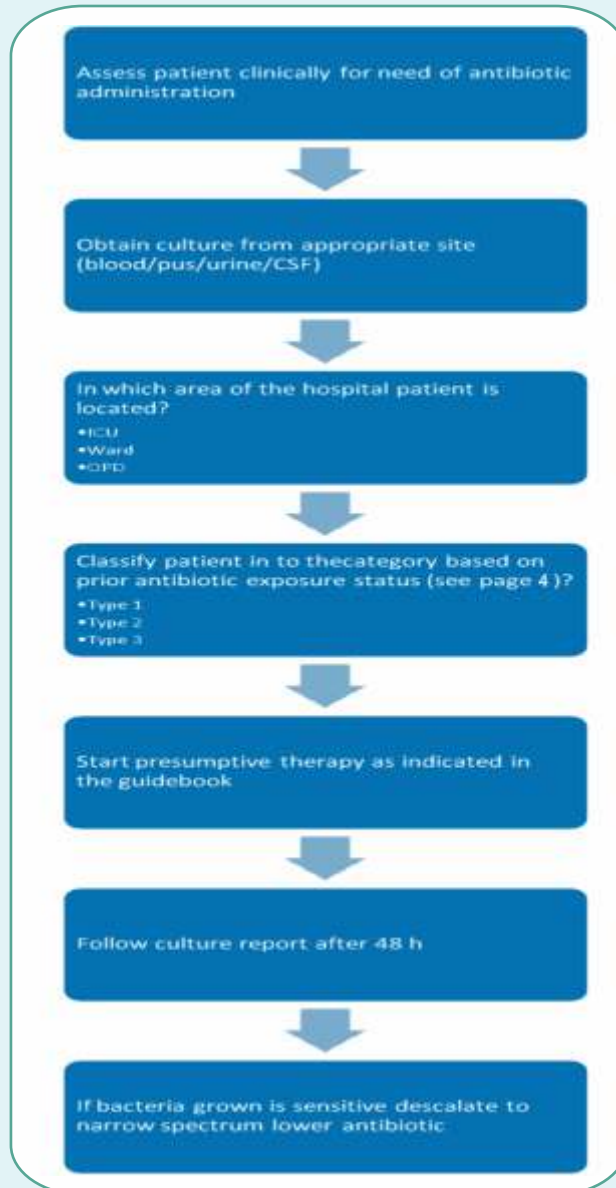
Why this Guidebook?

The antibiotics are effective, safe and relatively inexpensive drugs for treatment of bacterial infections and saving millions of lives. However, the ubiquity and unregulated use has led to misuse of antibiotics. As predicted by Alexander Fleming in his Nobel Prize lecture, bacterial resistance has appeared and is growing fast.

This guidebook has been formulated to encourage the rationale use of antibiotic therapy by healthcare professionals of this hospital. The guidebook balances the need of prescribing an effective antibiotic while minimizing the emergence of resistant organisms.

The antibiotics recommended for different areas and health conditions are based on the in-vitro susceptibility of organisms isolated in the Microbiology laboratory over last 6 months.

How to use this guidebook?





PATIENT RISK STRATIFICATION

For each infection, 3 patient types have been described:

TYPE 1: Patient at risk for Community acquired infections

TYPE 2: Patients at risk for HealthCare Associated Infections (HCAI) caused by for example, Extended Spectrum Beta-Lactamase (ESBL) producing Enterobacteriaceae.

TYPE 3: Patient at risk for Nosocomial Infection (NI) caused by for example, Multidrug Resistant (MDR) Pseudomonas, Acinetobacter, MRSA, VRE etc.

The choice of antimicrobial may need to be modified in the following situations:

1. Hypersensitivity to first choice antimicrobial
2. Recent antimicrobial therapy or preceding cultures indicating presence of resistant organisms.
3. In pregnant or lactating patients.
4. In renal or hepatic failure.
5. Where significant drug interactions may occur.

The drug susceptibility mentioned in the protocol is based on Disc diffusion method of CLSI-2018 (Clinical and Laboratory Standard Institute) guidelines, not on MIC values.

For each recommendation, most common pathogens according to their percentages of isolation have been mentioned followed by the most susceptible three to four antibiotics.



Intensive Care Unit



Blood Stream Infections (BSIs) Antibiotic Protocol: ICU (valid upto 2020)

ICU MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 132)	
Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility
Acinetobacter (n=42)	Meropenem (71%) / Ciprofloxacin (57%) / Tobramycin (43 %) / Ampisulb(29%)
Staph.aureus (n=30)	Linezolid (100%) / Gentamicin (80%) / Chloramphenicol(=ciprofloxacin=cotrimoxazole) (60%)/Doxycycline(40%)
Klebsiella (n=24)	Meropenem (75%) / Amikacin(=tetracycline) (50%) / Piptazo (=Amoxyclav)(25%)
Enterococcus (n=24)	Vancormycin (=Linezolid) (100%)/Tetracycline(50 %)/ciprofloxacin(=Gentamicin)(17%)
Pseudomonas (n=6)	Meropenem (=Piptazo=Ciprofloxacin=Aztreonam) (100%)
E.coli(n=6)	Amikacin(100%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI)	
No contact with health care system	Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
No prior antibiotic treatment	Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with no or few co-morbid conditions	Patient old (>65 years) with few co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture	Send Sample for Culture
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY
Ampicillin-sulbactam/ Amoxi-Clavulanate	Piptazo ± Amikacin/Ciprofloxacin ±
Patient Type 2 (HAI)	
Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures	
Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies	
Patient old (>65 years) + multiple co-morbidities. (Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency)	
Send Sample for Culture	
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY	
Colistin+Imipenem/Meropenem+Piper	
Patient Type 3 (NI)	

<p>Ceftriaxone Ciprofloxacin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>Susceptible bugs: Continue the treatment Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Continue monotherapy Consider Escalation</p> <p>1.ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae/MRSA: Escalate and treat as patient type 2 including Salmonella. 2.PA and AB: Escalate and treat as patient type 3.</p>	<p>Vancomycin/ Teicoplanin. (Note: vancomycin to be used only in the confirmed cases of MRSA)</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL +ve Klebsiella / E.coli: Continue treatment with monotherapy(Group 1 carbapenem is preferable.Avoid using broad spectrum anti-Pseudomonal drugs) Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate & Treat it as patients type 1 Consider Escalation</p> <p>1.PA/AB: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3 2. MRSA add Vancomycin or Teicoplanin</p>	<p>acillin-Tazobactam+Amikacin+Sublactam ± Vancomycin or teicoplanin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>Susceptible PA/AB /MRSA: Continue treatment as monotherapy Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate and treat as Patients Type 2 Consider Escalation</p> <p>1.MDR-PA or AB: Continue Colistin + Imipenem + Sublactam 2.VRE/VRSA: Escalate to Linezolid/Daptomycin.</p>
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Urinary Tract Infections (UTI) Antibiotic Protocols: ICU (valid upto 2020)

ICU MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates =174)		
Most Common Pathogens	%	Antibiotics Susceptibility
Enterococcus (n=60)	34%	Linezolid(=Vancomycin) (80 %)/ Nitrofurantoin(=Penicillin***) (70 %)/Tetracycline(50%)
E. coli(n=54)	31%	Nitrofurantoin(78%)/ Amikacin(56%)/ Meropenem(44%)/ Piptazo(33%)
Klebsiella(n=24)	14%	Norflaxacin(=Meropenem=Amikacin= Cotrimoxazole) (25%)
Acinetobacter(n=24)	14%	Ampisulb(75%)
Pseudomonas(n=6)	3%	Amikacin(= Meropenem=Piptazo= Ceftazidime= Aztreonam=Ciprofloxacin*) (100%)
Staph. aureus(n=6)	3%	Nitrofurantoin(=Linezolid=Gentamicin) (100%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI)		
No contact with health care system		Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
No prior antibiotic treatment		Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions		Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture		
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY		
Ampicillin/sulbactam		Ertapenem
Ticarcillin/clavulanic acid/CefSul		or Amikacin
Patient Type 2 (HAI)		
Send Sample for Culture		
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY		
Ertapenem or Amikacin		
Patient Type 3 (NI)		
Send Sample for Culture		
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY		
Imipenem / Meropenem ± Amikacin		

<p>Ciprofloxacin/Norfloxacin/Ofloxacin Nitrofurantoin Cefuroxime Ertapenem</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, use susceptible antibiotic</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " Continue monotherapy</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment Susceptible Pseudomonas/ Acinetobacter: Continue with Imipenem (or Meropenem) ± Levofloxacin/Amikacin CA-MRSA/Enterococcus: Add Vancomycin or Linezolid</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate & Treat it as patients type 1</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate and treat as Patients Type 2</p>	<p>Consider Escalation ESBL +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 2</p>	<p>Consider Escalation Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>	<p>Consider Escalation MDR - PA: Escalate to a Combination therapy. Colistin+Imipenem+Sulbactam</p>
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*Avoid Ciprofloxacin and Levofloxacin since they have potent antipseudomonal activity
 **Tigecycline does not get excreted in urine, therefore it is not a treatment of choice for UTI due to ESBL-producing E coli.
 ***Enterococci susceptible to penicillin are predictably susceptible to ampicillin, amoxicillin, ampicillin-sulbactam, amoxicillin-clavulanate, and piperacillin-tazobactam for non-E-lactamase-producing enterococci.

Skin and Soft Tissue Infections (SST) Antibiotic Protocol: ICU (valid upto 2020)

ICU MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 1128)		
Most Common Pathogens	%	Antibiotics Susceptibility
<i>Pseudomonas</i> (n=408)	36%	Ciprofloxacin(83%)/ Meropenem(60%)/ Aztreonam(56%)
<i>Acinetobacter</i> (n=348)	31%	Ampisulb ** (43%) / Tobramycin (19%) / Meropenem (14%)
<i>Klebsiella</i> (n=204)	18%	Tetracycline (71%) / Amikacin (47%)/ Meropenem(41%)
<i>E.coli</i> (n=114)	10%	Meropenem (91%) / Amikacin(Piptazo) (79%) / Tetracycline (64%)
<i>Staph.aureus</i> (n=42)	4%	Doxycycline(100%) / Linezolid(86%)/ Gentamicin(=Co-trimoxazole)(57%)/ Chloramphenicol(43%)
<i>Enterococcus</i> (n=12)	1%	Vancomycin(=Penicillin=Linezolid) (100%) / Ciprofloxacin(=Gentamicin= Erythromycin)(50%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI)		Patient Type 2 (HAI)
No contact with health care system		Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
No prior antibiotic treatment		Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions		Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture		Send Sample for Culture
		Patient Type 3 (NI)
		Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures
		Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies
		Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.
		Send Sample for Culture

<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>MSSA SSTI: Nafcillin/ Oxacillin/ Dicloxacillin/ Amoxicillin-clavulanate Cefazolin/ Cephalexin Clindamycin Doxycycline/ Minocycline TMP-SMZ</p> <p>MRSA SSTI: Vancomycin Linezolid* Clindamycin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>MSSA: Continue treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>MSSA: Continue Monotherapy</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: Treat as Patients Type 2 MRSA: Add Vancomycin or Teicoplanin</p> <p>*Linezolid is a reserved drug for inpatients **Sulbactam has anti Acinetobacter activity ***Tigecycline should not be used in Pseudomonas and Proteus infection</p>	<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Ertapenem (or Tigecycline*** alone)/CefSul ± Vancomycin or Teicoplanin or Linezolid</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae Continue treatment with monotherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL -ve Enterobacteriaceae: De-escalate and treat as patient type 1 Enterococcus use Tigecycline/ Vancomycin</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>	<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Vancomycin (or Teicoplanin) + Imipenem (or Meropenem)</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Enterococcus / PA / AB Detected: Continue the treatment.</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae De-Escalate to Patient type 2 Enterococcus: De-escalate to Tigecycline/ Vancomycin</p> <p>MDR PA /AB: Escalate to Colistin+Imipenem+Sulbactam combination</p>
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Pneumonia Antibiotic Protocol: ICU (valid upto 2020)

ICU MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 978)	
Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility
Pseudomonas(n=408)	42%
Acinetobacter (n=372)	38%
Klebsiella(n=198)	20%
Patient Type 1 (CAI)	Patient Type 2 (HAI)
No contact with health care system	Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive
No prior antibiotic treatment	Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions	Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture	Send Sample for Culture
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Macrolide (Clarithromycin/ Erythromycin) Respiratory Fluoroquinolone (Moxifloxacin, Gemifloxacin or Levofloxacin*) Cefotaxime, Ceftriaxone Ampicillin-sulbactam or Amoxi-clav Ertapenem	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Imipenem/PipTaz / Tigecycline ± Vancomycin/Teicoplanin ± Amikacin
Patient Type 3 (NI)	Send Sample for Culture
Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Colistin+Imipenem+Subbactam
Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies	
Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.	

<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, Continue treatment with Macrolide or Fluoroquinolone</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Use monotherapy</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, Continue treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae: De-Escalate & Treat as patients type 1</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>MDR Pseudomonas/ Acinetobacter: Continue treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>MDR Pseudomonas/ Acinetobacter: Continue treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Susceptible PA / AB: Imipenem, Meropenem, Pip/Taz plus either Ciprofloxacin or Levofloxacin, or B-lactam plus Aminoglycoside and Azithromycin, or B-lactam plus Aminoglycoside and an antipseudomococcal fluoroquinolone</p> <p>CA-MRSA: Add Vancomycin or Linezolid</p> <p>ESBL+ve Enterobacteriaceae De-Escalate to patient type 2</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>MDR: PA-AB: Use triple drug combination of Colistin+imipenem + Sulbactam / Rifampicin</p>
<p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>ESBL +ve Klebsiella Type 2</p>	<p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>Pseudomonas/Acinetobacter: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>		

*Avoid Levofloxacin since it has potent antipseudomonal activity



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Wards



Blood Stream Infections (BSIs) Antibiotic Protocol: WARDS (valid upto 2020)		
WARDS MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates=402)		
Most Common Pathogens	%	Antibiotics Susceptibility
Staph.aureus(n=180)	45%	Linezolid (100%) / Chloramphenicol (70%) / Doxycycline (59%) / Ciprofloxacin(25%)
Enterococcus(n=96)	24%	Linezolid (100%) / Vancomycin (98%) / Tetracycline (73%) / Ciprofloxacin (72%)
Klebsiella(n=42)	10%	Tetracycline (50%) / Meropenem (12%)
E.coli(n=36)	9%	Amikacin (100%)/Meropenem (=paptaz) (83%)Tetracycline (50%)
Pseudomonas(n=30)	7%	Amikacin(=Ciprofloxacin=Meropenem)
Acinetobacter(n=18)	4%	(50%)/Piptazo(=Aztreonam=Ceftazidime) (33%) Ampisulb(= Tobramycin)(67 %)/ Meropenem(33%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI) No contact with health care system		Patient Type 2 (HAI) Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
No prior antibiotic treatment		Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions		Patient old with few co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture		Send Sample for Culture
		Patient Type 3 (NI) Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures
		Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency. Send Sample for Culture

<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>1. Oral: Cefixime/ Cefpodoxime or Ofloxacin or Amoxicillin-Clavulanate 2. IV/IM: Ceftriaxone/ Cefotaxime or Amoxicillin-clavulanate or Ciprofloxacin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>Susceptible bugs: Continue the treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Use monootherapy</p> <p>Consider Escalation ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae including Salmonella: Escalate and treat as patient type 2</p>	<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>1. Oral: Cefixime/ Cefpodoxime or Ofloxacin/Ciprofloxacin or Amoxicillin-clavulanate or Azithromycin 2. IV/IM: Meropenem or Piperacillin-tazobactam + Amikacin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL +ve Klebsiella / E.coli: Continue treatment with monootherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate & Treat it as patients type 1</p> <p>Consider Escalation 1. PA/AB: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3 2. MRSA: Escalate to Vancomycin/Teicoplanin</p>	<p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Imipenem (or Meropenem) ± Vancomycin or Teicoplanin/Piptazo+Amikacin</p> <p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment</p> <p>PA/AB /MRSA: Continue treatment as monootherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate and treat as Patients Type 2</p> <p>Consider Escalation 1. MDR-PA or AB: Continue 3 Drug combination, Colistin + Imipenem + Sulbactam 2. VRE/VRSA: Escalate to Linezolid/Daptomycin</p>
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Complicated Urinary Tract Infections (cUTI) Antibiotic Protocol: WARDS (valid upto 2020)

WARDS MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 1284)	
Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility
<p>E. coli(n=822)</p>	<p>64%</p> <p>Nitrofurantoin (90%) / Meropenem (87%) / Amikacin (83%) / Piptazo (79%)</p>
<p>Klebsiella (n=150)</p>	<p>12%</p> <p>Meropenem (64%) / Amikacin(=Piptazo) (56%) / Nitrofurantoin (44%) / Cotrimoxazole (36%)</p>
<p>Enterococcus(n=144)</p>	<p>11%</p> <p>Linezolid(96%) / Nitrofurantoin(=Vancomycin) (92%) / Tetracycline(50%) / Gentamicin(42%)</p>
<p>Acinetobacter(n=72)</p>	<p>6%</p> <p>Meropenem(=Norfloxacin) (33%) / Ampisulb(17%) / Gentamicin(8%)</p>
<p>Staph. aureus(n=60)</p>	<p>5%</p> <p>Gentamicin(100%) / Linezolid(=Nitrofurantoin, Norfloxacin)(90%) / Ciprofloxacin(=Cotrimoxazole) (60%)</p>
<p>Pseudomonas(n=36)</p>	<p>3%</p> <p>Amikacin(= Imipenem= Piptazo= Cefazidime= Aztreonam= Ciprofloxacin) (100%)</p>
<p>Patient Type 1 (CAI)</p>	
<p>No contact with health care system</p>	<p>Patient Type 2 (HAI)</p> <p>Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure</p>
<p>No prior antibiotic treatment</p>	<p>Recent antibiotic therapy</p>
<p>Patient young with few co-morbid conditions</p>	<p>Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.</p>
<p>Patient Type 3 (NI)</p>	
<p>Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures</p>	
<p>Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies</p>	
<p>Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.</p>	

<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>1.Oral:Ciprofloxacin*/Norfloxacin or Cefuroxime/Cefixime or Amoxicillin-Clavulanate</p> <p>2.IV/IM:Ceftriaxone or Ofloxacin or Meropenem</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, use susceptible antibiotic</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Continue monotherapy</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>ESBL +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 2</p>	<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>1.Oral:Ciprofloxacin/Norfloxacin or Nitrofurantoin or Amoxicillin-Clavulanate</p> <p>2.IV/IM: Meropenem or Piptazo+Amikacin</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, Continue treatment with monotherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate & Treat it as patient type 1</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>	<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Meropenem or Piptazo ± Amikacin</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>Susceptible Pseudomonas/ Acinetobacter: Continue with Impenem (or Meropenem) ± Levofloxacin/Amikacin</p> <p>CA-MRSA/Enterococcus: Add Vancomycin or Linezolid</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate to patient type 2</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>MDR - PA: Escalate to a Combination therapy, Colistin+Impenem+Sulbactam</p>
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Skin and Soft Tissue Infections (SSTI) Antibiotic Protocol: WARDS (valid upto 2020)

WARDS MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 5466)

Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility	Patient Type 1 (CAI)	Patient Type 2 (HAI)	Patient Type 3 (NI)
Staph.aureus (n=1860)	Linezolid(99%)/ Doxycycline(98%)/ Chloramphenicol(93%)/ Cotrimoxazole(88%)	34%		
E.coli (n=1056)	Meropenem(75%)/ Amikacin(68%)/ Piptazo(55%)/Tetracycline(35.%)	19%		
Pseudomonas (n=810)	Meropenem(90%)/ Piptazo(82%)/ Ciprofloxacin(79%)/Aztreonam(77%)	15%		
Klebsiella (n=762)	Meropenem(61%) / Tetracycline(=Amikacin)(57%)/ Piptazo(55%)/Ciprofloxacin(46.%)	14%		
Acinetobacter (n=690)	Ampisulb(43%)/ Tobramycin(40%)/ Meropenem (32%)/Amikacin(17%)	13%		
Enterococcus (n=288)	Linezolid(100%)/ Vancomycin (92%)/ Penicillin*(56%) / Gentamicin (50%)	5%		
Patient Type 1 (CAI)	Patient Type 2 (HAI)	Patient Type 3 (NI)		
No prior antibiotic treatment	Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure	Long hospitalization and/or invasive procedures		
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions	Recent antibiotic therapy	Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies		
Send Sample for Culture	Send Sample for Culture	Send Sample for Culture		
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY		
MSSA SSTI: Nafcillin/ Oxacillin/ Dicloxacillin/ Amoxicillin-clavulanate Cephalexin / Cefadroxil / Cefuroxime Doxycycline/ Minocycline TMP-SMZ	Ertapenem / CefSul / PipTaz / Tigecycline ± Amikacin ± Vancomycin/Teicoplanin	Vancomycin (or Teicoplanin) + Imipenem (or Meropenem)		

<p>MRSA SSTI: Vancomycin / Linezolid / Clindamycin / Daptomycin / Doxycycline/ Minocycline / TMP-SMZ</p>	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment MSSA / E.coli : Continue treatment</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " Continue Monotherapy</p>	<p>Consider Escalation ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: Treat as Patients Type 2 MRSA Enterococcus: Replace with Vancomycin or Teicoplanin</p>
	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: Continue treatment with monotherapy</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " ESBL -ve Enterobacteriaceae / MSSA: De escalate and treat as patient type 1 Enterococcus: Shift to Tigecycline/ Vancomycin</p>	<p>Consider Escalation Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>
	<p>After Culture Report Continue Treatment Non MDR PA : Imipenem (or Meropenem); MRSA: Vancomycin monotherapy</p>	<p>Step down "De-Escalate " ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae/ Enterococcus: De-escalate to Tigecycline/ Vancomycin/ Teicoplanin MRSA: Monotherapy with Vancomycin/ Teicoplanin</p>	<p>MSSA- Monotherapy Consider Escalation MDR PA /AB: Escalate to Colistin+Imipenem+Sublactam combination; Add Vanco in case of MRSA</p>

*Enterococci susceptible to penicillin are predictably susceptible to ampicillin, amoxicillin, ampicillin-sulbactam, amoxicillin-clavulanate, and piperacillin-tazobactam for non-Beta-lactamase-producing enterococci.



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Blood Stream Infections (BSI) Antibiotic Protocol: OPD (valid upto 2020)

OPD MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 20)			
Most Common Pathogens	%	Antibiotics Susceptibility	%
<i>S typhi</i> (n=20)		Ceftriaxone (=Cefixime=Cefipime=Azithromycin= Ampicillin=Chloramphenicol=Co-trimoxazole=Tetracycline=Tigecycline=Meropenem) (100%)	
Patient Type 1 (CAI)		Patient Type 2 (HAI)	Patient Type 3 (NI)
No contact with health care system		Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure	Long hospitalization and/or invasive procedures
No prior antibiotic treatment		Recent antibiotic therapy	Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions		Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.	Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.
Send Sample for Culture		Send Sample for Culture	Send Sample for Culture
PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY		PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY	PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY
Ampicillin/Amoxicillin-sulbactam/Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Ceftriaxone/ Cefixime Ciprofloxacin*		Ceftriaxone	Ceftriaxone ± Amikacin or Ciprofloxacin
After Culture Report		After Culture Report	After Culture Report
Continue Treatment		Continue Treatment	Continue Treatment
Susceptible pathogens: Continue treatment		Continue monotherapy	Susceptible bugs: Continue treatment

<p>Stop "De-Escalate " Susceptible pathogens: Continue monotherapy</p>	<p>Stop "De-Escalate " Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae: Treat as Patient type 1</p>	<p>Stop "De-Escalate " ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: De-Escalate to Ertapenem, Non ESBL De-Escalate to Cefixime or Ceftriaxone</p>
<p>Consider Escalation ESBL+ Salmonella or Enterobacteriaceae Escalate to Ertapenem or Tigecycline</p>	<p>Consider Escalation ESBL +ve: Escalate to Ertapenem or Tigecycline</p>	<p>Consider Escalation AB / PA: Continue Imipenem or Meropenem ± Amikacin</p>

**The % susceptibility of Tigecycline has been started since June 2008 and data will be available in the next edition of SGRH guidelines

*Avoid Ciprofloxacin since it has potent antipseudomonal activity

Reference: SGRH Guidelines for Empirical Antibiotic Therapy

Complicated Urinary Tract Infections (cUTI) Antibiotic Protocol: OPD (valid upto 2020)

OPD MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 210)	
Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility
E coli (n=150)	71% Piptazo (100%)/Amikacin (=Nitrofurantoin) (82%)/Imipenem (=Meropenem) (84%)/Cefipime (52%)
Klebsiella(n=36)	17% Piptazo(=Amikacin=Imipenem=Cotrimoxazole) (100%)/ Ciprofloxacin(=Nitrofurantoin=Norfloxacin) Cefipime (87%)
Enterococcus(n=24)	11% Vancomycin (=Amoxyclav=Cefotaxime (=Nitrofurantoin=Linezolid)(100%)/ Penicillin(75%)/ Gentamicin(=Tetracycline) (50 %)/ Ciprofloxacin(25%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI)	Patient Type 2 (HAI)
No contact with health care system	Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
No prior antibiotic treatment	Recent antibiotic therapy
Patient young with few co-morbid conditions	Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.
Send Sample for Culture PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Ampicillin/sulbactam Ticarcillin/clavulanic acid/CefSul Ciprofloxacin*/Norfloxacin/Ofloxacin Nitrofurantoin	Send Sample for Culture PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Amikacin / Ertapenem (No Tigecycline**)
Patient Type 3 (NI)	Patient Type 3 (NI)
Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures	Long hospitalization and or invasive procedures
Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies	Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies
Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.	Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.
Send Sample for Culture PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Amikacin / Ertapenem	Send Sample for Culture PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY Amikacin / Ertapenem

Cefuroxime

After Culture Report

Continue Treatment

Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, use susceptible antibiotic as monotherapy

Stop "De-Escalate "

Continue monotherapy

Consider Escalation

ESBL +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 2

After Culture Report

Continue Treatment

ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae, Continue treatment with monotherapy

Stop "De-Escalate "

Non ESBL Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate & Treat it as patient type 1

Consider Escalation

Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3

After Culture Report

Continue Treatment

Susceptible bugs: Continue with monotherapy

Enterococcus: Shift to Vancomycin

Stop "De-Escalate "

ESBL -ve Enterobacteriaceae, De-Escalate to patient type 1

Consider Escalation

MDR - PA: Escalate to a Combination therapy, Colistin+Imipenem+Sulbactam

*Avoid Ciprofloxacin and Levofloxacin since they have potent antipseudomonal activity

**Tigecycline does not get excreted in urine, therefore it is not a treatment of choice for UTI due to ESBL producing E coli.

Skin and Soft Tissue Infections (SSTI) Antibiotic Protocol: OPD (valid upto 2020)

WARDS MICROBIOLOGY DATA (Total no. of isolates = 582)	
Most Common Pathogens	Antibiotics Susceptibility
Staph. aureus (n=336)	Linezolid (100%) / Chloramphenicol (98%) / Cotrimoxazole (=Doxycycline) (95%) / Gentamicin (89%)
E. coli (n=108)	Meropenem (= Piptazo) (100%) / Amikacin (89%) / Tetracycline (= Cefipime) (50%) / Cefotaxime (= Cef tazidime = Ciprofloxacin) (39%)
Klebsiella (n=66)	Meropenem (= Amikacin) (91%) / Piptazo (82%) / Ciprofloxacin (= Tetracycline) (64%)
Pseudomonas (n=36)	Meropenem (100%) / Ciprofloxacin (83%) / Piptazo (= Aztreonam = Amikacin) (67%) / Cef tazidime (50%)
Acinetobacter (n=24)	Ampisulb (= Ciprofloxacin = Cef tazidime = Amikacin = Tobramycin = Meropenem) (50%)
Enterococcus (n=12)	Linezolid (= Penicillin = Gentamicin = Vancomycin) (100%) / Erythromycin (50%)
Patient Type 1 (CAI) No contact with health care system	Patient Type 2 (HAI) Contact with health care system (e.g. recent hospital admission, nursing home, dialysis) without invasive procedure
Patient Type 1 (CAI) No prior antibiotic treatment Patient young with few co-morbid conditions	Patient Type 2 (HAI) Recent antibiotic therapy Patient old with multiple co-morbidities.
	Patient Type 3 (NI) Long hospitalization and/or invasive procedures Recent & multiple antibiotic therapies Cystic fibrosis, structural lung disease, advanced AIDS, neutropenia, other severe immunodeficiency.

<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>MSSA SSTI: Nafcillin/ Oxacillin/ Dicloxacillin/ Amoxicillin-clavulanate Cephalexin / Cefadroxil / Cefuroxime Doxycycline/ Minocycline TMP-SMZ</p> <p>MRSA SSTI: Vancomycin / Linezolid / Clindamycin / Daptomycin / Doxycycline/ Minocycline / TMP-SMZ</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>MSSA / E.coli : Continue treatment</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>Continue Monotherapy</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: Treat as Patients Type 2</p> <p>MRSA Enterococcus: Replace with Vancomycin or Teicoplanin</p>	<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Ertapenem / CeftSul / PipTaz / Vancomycin ± Amikacin ± Vancomycin/Teicoplanin</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>ESBL +ve Enterobacteriaceae: Continue treatment with monotherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL -ve Enterobacteriaceae / MSSA: De escalate and treat as patient type 1</p> <p>Enterococcus: Shift to Tigecycline/ Vancomycin</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>Pseudomonas +ve: Escalate and treat as Patient Type 3</p>	<p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>Send Sample for Culture</p> <p>PRESUMPTIVE THERAPY</p> <p>Vancomycin (or Teicoplanin) + Imipenem (or Meropenem)</p> <p>After Culture Report</p> <p>Continue Treatment</p> <p>Non MDR PA : Imipenem (or Meropenem); MRSA: Vancomycin monotherapy</p> <p>Step down "De-Escalate "</p> <p>ESBL Positive Enterobacteriaceae/ Enterococcus: De-escalate to Tigecycline/ Vancomycin/ Teicoplanin</p> <p>MRSA: Monotherapy with Vancomycin/ Teicoplanin MSSA: Monotherapy</p> <p>Consider Escalation</p> <p>MDR PA /AB: Escalate to Colistin+Imipenem+Sublactam combination; Add Vanco in case of MRSA</p>
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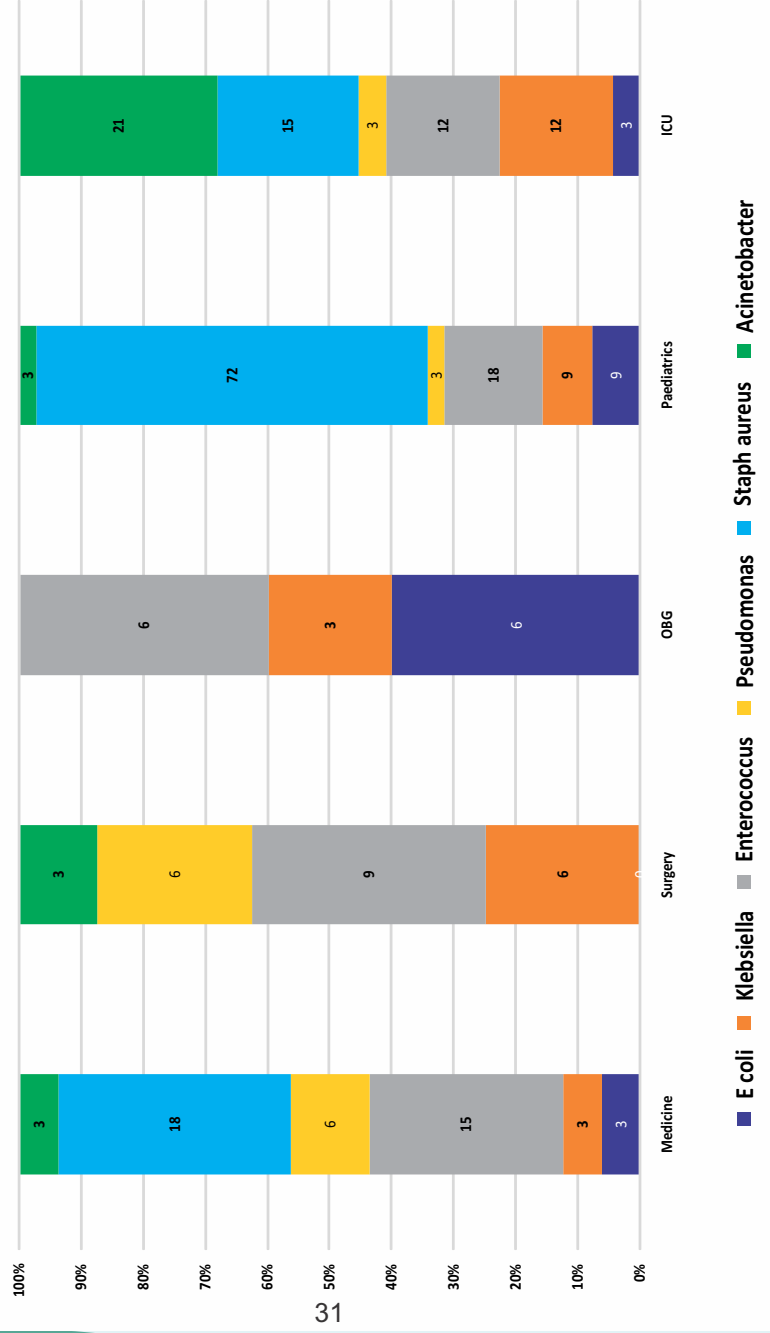
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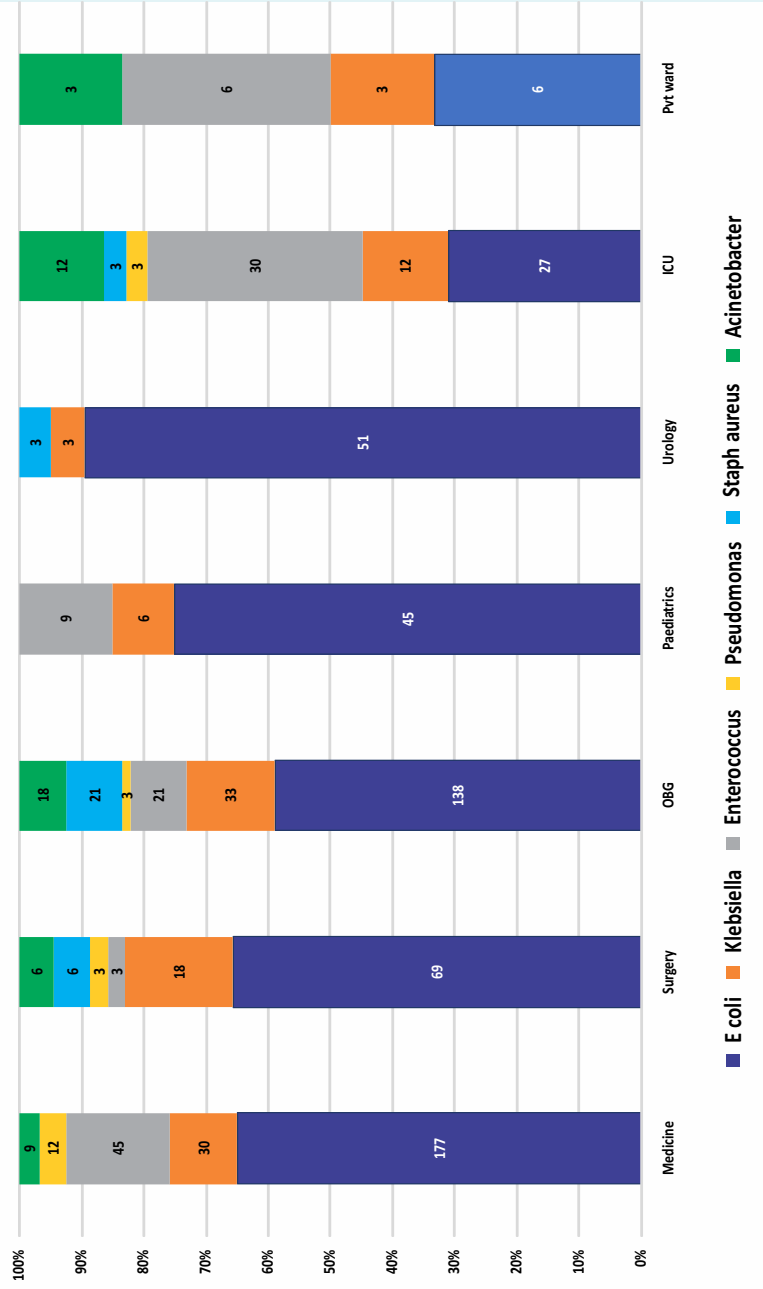
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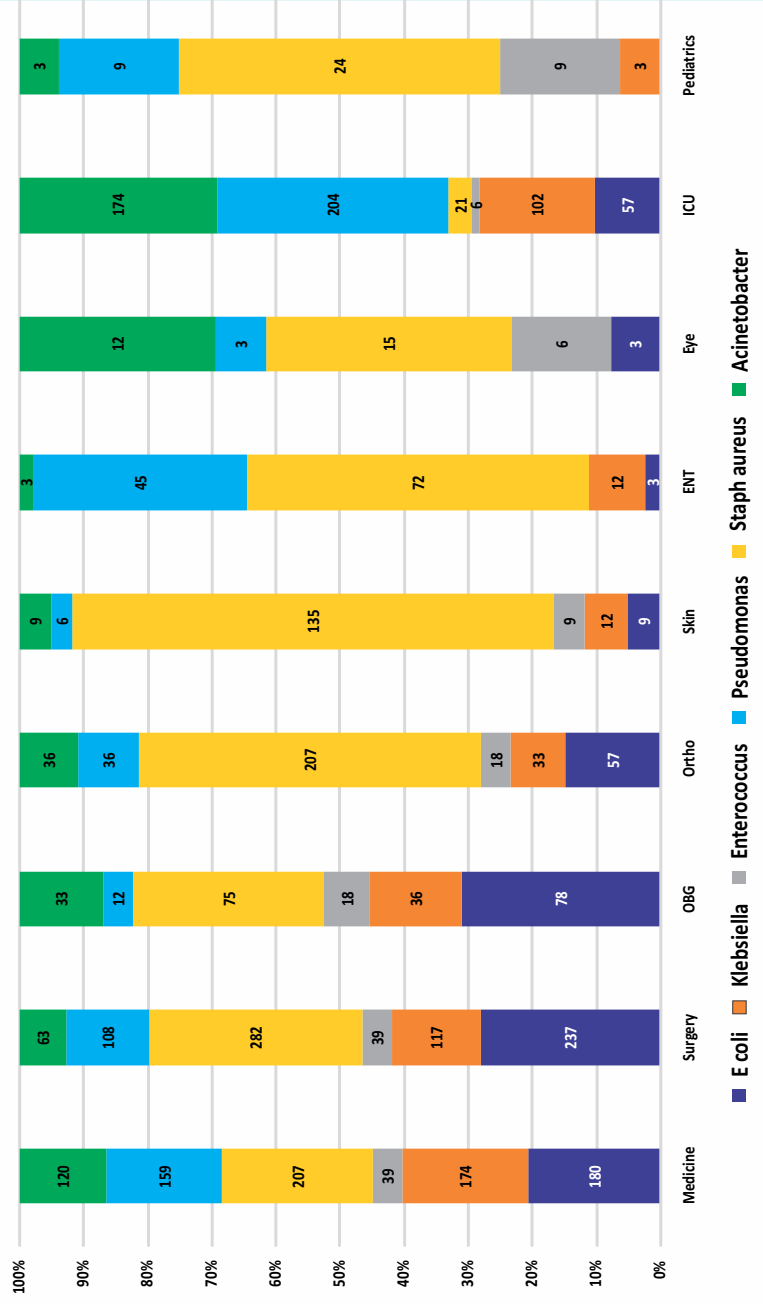
Blood



Urine



Pus



Drug Dosages*

Name of Antibiotic	Adult dose	Pediatric dose
Ampicillin-Sulbactam	IV: 1.5 to 3 g every 6 hours	IV: 100-300 mg ampicillin/kg/day divided every 6 hours
Amoxicillin-clavulanic acid	Oral: 500 mg amoxicillin every 8 hours	Oral: 20-40 mg amoxicillin/kg/day in divided doses every 8 h
Ceftriaxone	IV: 1 to 2 g every 12 to 24 hours	IV: 50-100 mg/kg/day divided every 12 to 24 hours
Ciprofloxacin	IV: 400 mg every 12 hours Oral: 500 mg every 12 hours	IV: 10 mg/kg/dose every 8 to 12 hours Oral: 10-20 mg/kg/dose every 8 to 12 hours
Piperacillin-Tazobactam	IV: 3.375-4.5 g every 6 hours	IV: 100 mg piperacillin/kg/dose every 8 hours
Amikacin	IM, IV: 5 to 7.5 mg/kg/dose every 8 hours	IM, IV: 15 to 20 mg/kg/dose every 24 hours
Vancomycin	IV: 15 to 20 mg/kg/dose every 8-12 h	IV: 60 mg/kg/day divided every 6 to 8 hours
Teicoplanin	Oral: 100 to 200 mg twice daily IV: 400 to 800 mg every 12 hours for 3 to 5 doses; followed by 6 to 12 mg/kg once daily	IV: 10 mg/kg every 12 hours for 3 doses, followed by 6 to 10 mg/kg once daily

Colistin (Colistin Base Activity(CBA)1 mg ==colistimet hate sodium 30,000 units or 2.4 mg)	IM, IV: 2.5 to 5 mg CBA/kg/day divided every 6 to 12 hours	IM, IV: 2.5 to 5 mg CBA/kg/day divided every 6 to 12 hours
Meropenem	IV: 1.5 to 6 g daily divided every 8 hours	IV: 20 mg/kg/dose every 8 hours
Linezolid	Oral, IV: 600 mg every 12 hours	Oral, IV: 10 mg/kg/dose every 8 hours
Cefuroxime	Oral: 250 to 500 mg every 12 hours IV: 500 to 750 mg every 8 hours	Oral: 20 to 30 mg/kg/day divided twice daily IM, IV: 75 to 100 mg/kg/day divided in 3 doses
Nitrofurantoin	Oral: 50 to 100 mg every 6 hours	Oral: 5 to 7 mg/kg/day divided every 6 hours
Ofloxacin	Oral: 200 mg every 12 hours	-
Dicloxacillin	Oral: 125 to 250 mg every 6 hours	Oral: 25-50 mg/kg/day divided every 6 hours
Cloxacillin	IV: IV: 250 to 500 mg every 6 hours	IV: 25 to 50 mg/kg/day in divided doses every 6 hours
Cephazolin	IV: 1 to 1.5 g every 8 hours	IV: 50- 150 mg/kg/day divided every 8 hours
Cephalexin	Oral: 250 to 1,000 mg every 6 hours	Oral: 25-100 mg/kg/day divided every 6-12 hours

Clindamycin	IV: 600 to 2,700 mg daily in 2 to 4 divided doses Oral: 150 to 450 mg every 6 hours	IV: 20 to 40 mg/kg/day divided every 6 to 8 hours Oral: 8 to 20 mg/kg/day divided every 6 to 8 hours
Trimethoprim-Sulfamethoxazole	1 to 2 double-strength tablets every 12 to 24 hours	Oral: 6 to 12 mg TMP/kg/day in divided doses every 12 hours
Doxycycline	Oral: 100 to 200 mg/day in 1 to 2 divided dose	Oral, IV: 2.2 mg/kg/dose every 12 hours
Tigecycline	IV: Initial: 100 mg as a single dose; Maintenance dose: 50 mg every 12 hours	-
Erythromycin	Ora: Base: 250 to 500 mg every 6 to 12 hours	Oral: Base, ethylsuccinate, stearate: 30 to 50 mg/kg/day divided every 6 to 8 hours
Clarithromycin	Oral: 250 to 500 mg every 12 hours	Oral: 15 mg/kg/day divided every 12 hours
Cefotaxime	IV: 1 to 2 g every 8 hours	IV: 150 to 180 mg/kg/day in divided doses every 8 hours
Ceftriaxone	IV: 1 to 2 g every 12 to 24 hours	IV: 50-100 mg/kg/day divided every 12-24 hours
Cefixime	Oral: 400 mg daily divided every 12 to 24 hours	Oral: 8 mg/kg/day divided every 12 to 24 hours

Cefpodoxime	Oral: 100-200 mg every 12 hours	Oral: 5 mg/kg/dose every 12 hours
Cefadroxil	Oral: 1 g/day in single or 2 divided doses	Oral: 15 mg/kg/dose twice daily
Chloramphenicol	IV: 50 to 100 mg/kg/day in divided doses every 6 hours; maximum daily dose: 4 g/day	IV: 12.5 mg/kg/dose every 6 hour

* Doses given here are *general condition* doses. If doses are given as a range, doses in higher range may be used for more severe conditions. For specific conditions which may require higher (e.g. meningitis) or lower (e.g. renal failure) doses, refer to suitable recommendations. Pediatric doses given here are not for use in neonates. While calculating weight-based pediatric doses do not exceed the adult dose.

The Golden Rules of Antimicrobial Prescribing "MINDME"*.

- M** Microbiology guides therapy wherever possible
- I** Indications should be evidence based
- N** Narrowest spectrum required
- D** Dosage appropriate to the site and type of infection
- M** Minimise duration of therapy
- E** Ensure monotherapy in most cases

*Adapted from Antibiotic Expert Group.
Therapeutic guidelines: antibiotic. Version 14.
Melbourne: Therapeutic Guidelines Limited; 2010.



GOOD PRACTICES

- Always take cultures of appropriate body fluid (blood, urine, CSF, pus) before starting antibiotics.
- Use the narrowest spectrum antibiotics possible.
- Do not start treatment with a third-generation cephalosporin or a carbapenem.
- Follow the hospital antibiotic policy to restrict the use of expensive, broad-spectrum antibiotics like imipenem or colistin.
- Trust the microbiology laboratory. Rely on the culture results.
- Do not to use antibiotics unnecessarily for long periods.
- Treat infection, not colonization.
- Prevent healthcare-associated infection, by following the infection control practices, particularly hand washing.



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