

HII - Clostridium difficile V1 Aug 2011

Prudent antibiotic prescribing

Is there evidence that antibiotics are prescribed according to national guidance and local policy ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Saving Lives includes a summary of best practice for antimicrobial prescribing. This is available at www.clean-safe-care.nhs.uk

Is there evidence that stop dates are included in antimicrobial prescriptions and these are adhered to ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that the use of broad spectrum antimicrobials is minimised. ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that antibiotic polypharmacy is avoided where possible. ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that long duration antibiotic therapy is avoided where possible ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that the reason for antibiotic prescribing is documented in the patient's notes so that treatment decisions can be easily reviewed and for audit and training purposes ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that antimicrobial medication is reviewed daily and documented as such ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Correct Hand Hygiene

Is there evidence that hands are washed with soap and water before and after each contact with patients with suspected or proven CDI or any diarrhoea, and after contact with the patient's immediate environment or body fluids? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

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Alcohol hand gel is not effective against C. difficile spores. Therefore, washing hands with soap and water is always recommended – regardless of the use of hand gel.

Environmental decontamination

Is there evidence that enhanced cleaning methods are implemented in areas with patients with CDI? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

* Further information on cleaning and decontamination can be found in the Department of Health's High Impact Intervention No. 8 – Care bundle to improve the cleaning and decontamination of clinical equipment (2009), which was developed to assist trusts to "achieve compliance under criterion 2 of the Code of Practice 2009 by providing a focus for activity and a method for measuring the implementation of policies and procedures for reducing reservoirs of infection."

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Is there evidence that environmental cleaning of rooms, bed spaces, commodes, bedpans, slipper pans and disposable bedpan holders, toilets and bathroom areas of patients with CDI is carried out daily using a neutral detergent followed by chlorine-based disinfectants (at least 1,000 parts-per-million (ppm) available chlorine)? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that a deep clean and decontamination of rooms of CDI patients takes place following the patient's transfer or discharge ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Personal Protective Equipment

Is there evidence that Personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g. single use gloves and aprons) is used when in the immediate environment of patients with CDI. ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that disposable gloves and aprons are worn when handling body fluids ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that PPE is correctly removed and disposed of following use ? Yes, No or NA (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Isolation / Cohort Nursing

Is there evidence that a single room, preferably with ensuite, is used if available ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

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Is there evidence that Cohort care for CDI patients is used if single rooms are not available ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that an isolation ward is used if there are sufficient numbers to justify this (i.e. more than can be catered for in single rooms or by cohort care ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that hand washing facilities are in place? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that CDI patients have their own dedicated toileting facilities ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that equipment such as tourniquets or blood pressure cuffs etc are issued for single patient use? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that the use of commodes at the patient's bedside is avoided (as much as possible) when cohort nursing in communal bays ? (If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA

Is there evidence that Where commodes are used each patient is allocated their own and they are thoroughly cleaned daily and between each use using chlorine based disinfectant (at least 1,000 ppm available chlorine) ?(If NO or N/A Please Clarify your Answer) Yes, No or NA Max:1

	Ex.	Sc.	Compliance	Answer
1.	No	1	Compliant	Yes
2.	No	0	Non Compliant	No
3.	No	0	None	NA