Antimicrobial Stewardship in the Ambulatory Care Setting: Current Practice and Future PDSA

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Objectives

By the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

1. Discuss antimicrobial stewardship strategies in use at the Haskell Indian Health Center.

2. Examine use of of formulary management and quick order management to assist with antimicrobial stewardship goals.

3. Select methodology for future projects and areas of improvement at the Haskell Indian Health Center.

Haskell Indian Health Center - Lawrence, KS

- User population -~7,000, but over 200 federally recognized tribes
- Centrally located to the KC Metro and Haskell Indian Nations University
- Primary care dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, lab, behavioral health, physical therapy, nutrition
- Pharmacy initiatives: immunizations, anticoagulation, diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, PrEP, CGM, HCV, tobacco cessation.
- Decentralized ambulatory care pharmacist roles



Staffing models

- 6 adult primary care providers, 1 pediatrician (+ nursing staff)
- 3-person behavioral health team
- 2 dentists (+ dental assistants)
- 1 optometrist
- 1-2 Physical Therapists
- 1 Dietitian + 1 Diabetes Prevention Program Director
- 5 pharmacists, 2 techs (1 pharmacist decentralized)

What is Antibiotic Stewardship?

The effort

- To measure antibiotic prescribing
- To **improve** antibiotic prescribing by clinicians and use by patients so that antibiotics are only prescribed when needed
- To minimize misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis leading to underuse of antibiotics
- To **ensure** that the right drug, dose, and duration are selected when an antibiotic is needed



Antibiotic Stewardship Goal

• Improve the way health care providers prescribe antibiotics to optimize patient outcomes and reduce emergence of antibiotic resistance

The Core Elements of Outpatient Antimicrobial Stewardship



Commitment

Demonstrate dedication to and accountability for optimizing antibiotic prescribing and patient safety.



Action for policy and practice

Implement at least one policy or practice to improve antibiotic prescribing, assess whether it is working, and modify as needed.



Tracking and reporting

Monitor antibiotic prescribing practices and offer regular feedback to clinicians, or have clinicians assess their own antibiotic prescribing practices themselves.



Education and expertise

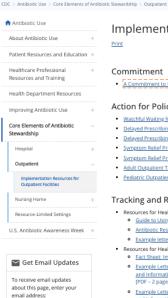
Provide educational resources to clinicians and patients on antibiotic prescribing, and ensure access to needed expertise on optimizing antibiotic prescribing.

Implementation Resources



Q Search

Antibiotic Prescribing and Use



What's this?

Implementation Resources for Outpatient Facilities

Commitment

A Commitment to Improving Antibiotic Use 11×17 Poster [PDF - 1 page]



More Resources

Action for Policy and Practice

- Watchful Waiting for Ear Infections 8.5×11 (Print Only) [8 [PDF 2 pages]
- Delayed Prescribing Prescription Pads 4.5 x 5.5
 [PDF 1 page]
- Symptom Relief Prescription Pads 4.5 x 5.5
 [PDF 1 page]
- Symptom Relief Prescription Pads 8.5 x 11 [8] [PDF 1 page]
- Adult Outpatient Treatment Recommendations
- Pediatric Outpatient Treatment Recommendations

Tracking and Reporting

- Resources for Health Departments
- Guide to Using Outpatient Antibiotic Prescription Data for Peer Comparison Audit & Feedback
 [PDF 1 page]
- Antibiotic Resistance & Patient Safety Portal: Antibiotic Use & Stewardship Data
- Example letter: Providing feedback to providers about number of antibiotics prescribed [B] [PDF 2 pages]
- Resources for Health Plans
- Fact Sheet: Improving outpatient antibiotic use through audit and feedback [In IPDF 2 pages]
- Example Letter: Providing feedback on quality measure performance for the 2019 Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Measure Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Adults with Acute Bronchitis.
- Example Letter: Providing feedback on quality measure performance for the 2020 Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) Measure Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis
- Measurement and Evaluation Approaches to Improve Outpatient Antibiotic Prescribing [PDF 10 pages] []

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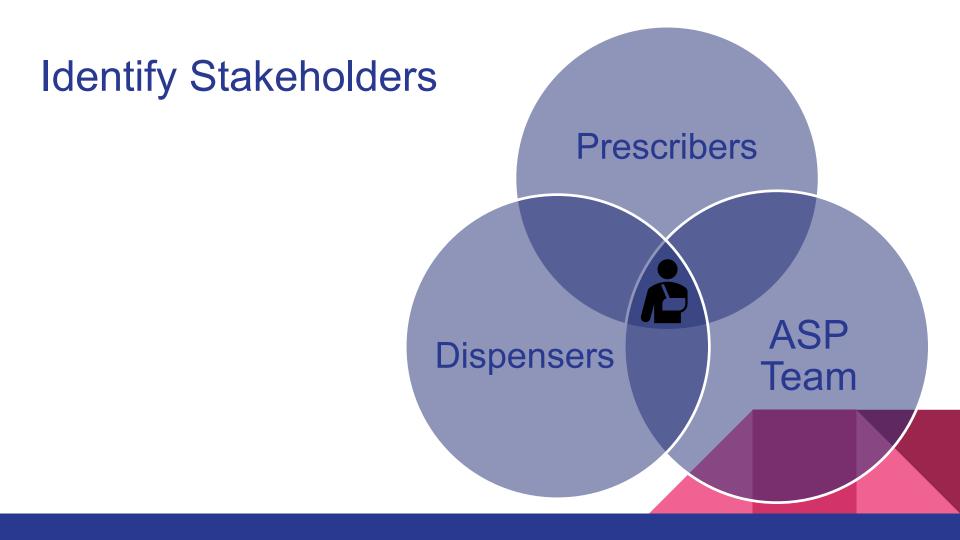
- . NEW Community Pharmacy Posters
- CDC Training on Antibiotic Stewardship
- Improving Antibiotic Use [PDF 2 pages]
- Viruses or Bacteria—What's got you sick?
 [PDF 1 Page]
- Antibiotics Aren't Always the Answer [PDF 2 pages]

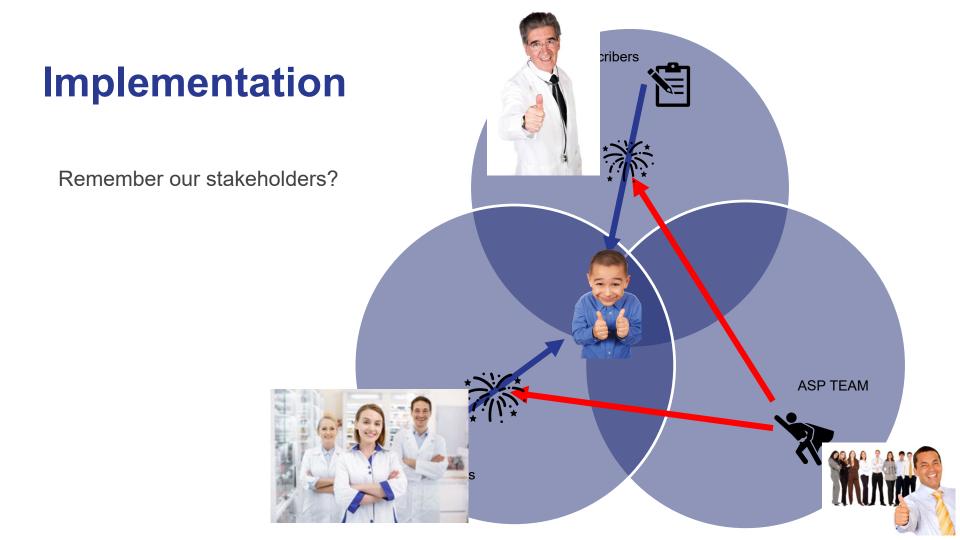
More Resources

- NEW Improving Outpatient Antibiotic Prescribing: A Toolkit for Healthcare Payers [PDF 30 pages]
- MITIGATE Antimicrobial Stewardship Toolkit



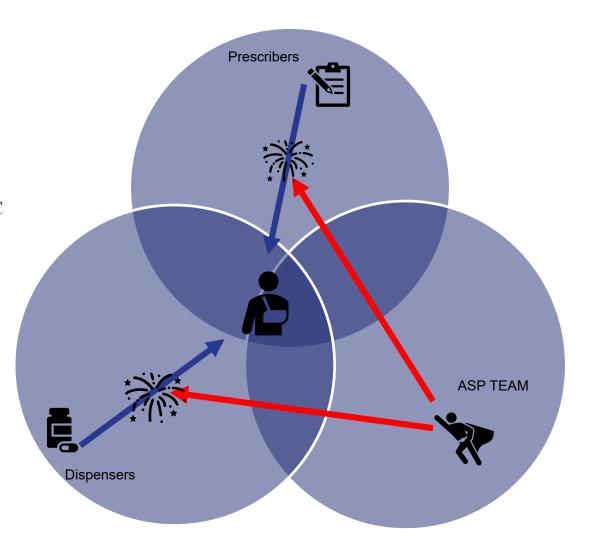






The Reality

Stewardship is not a primary roll of any one person at HIHC

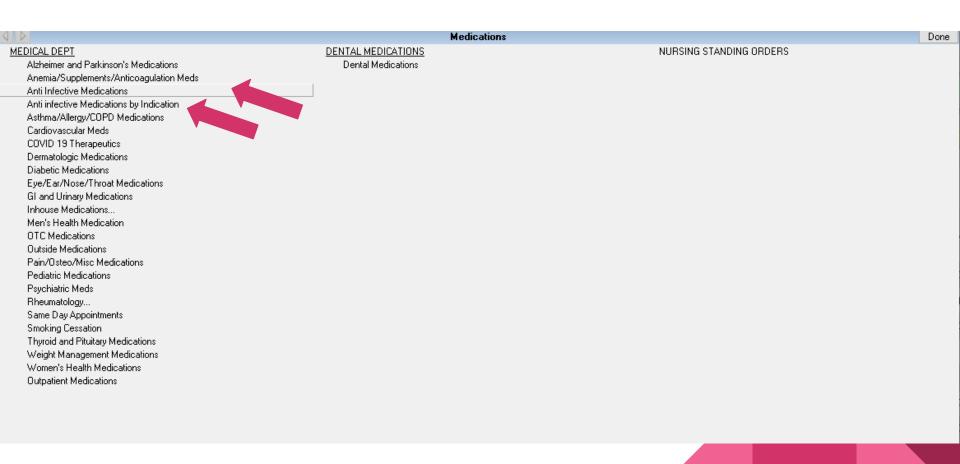


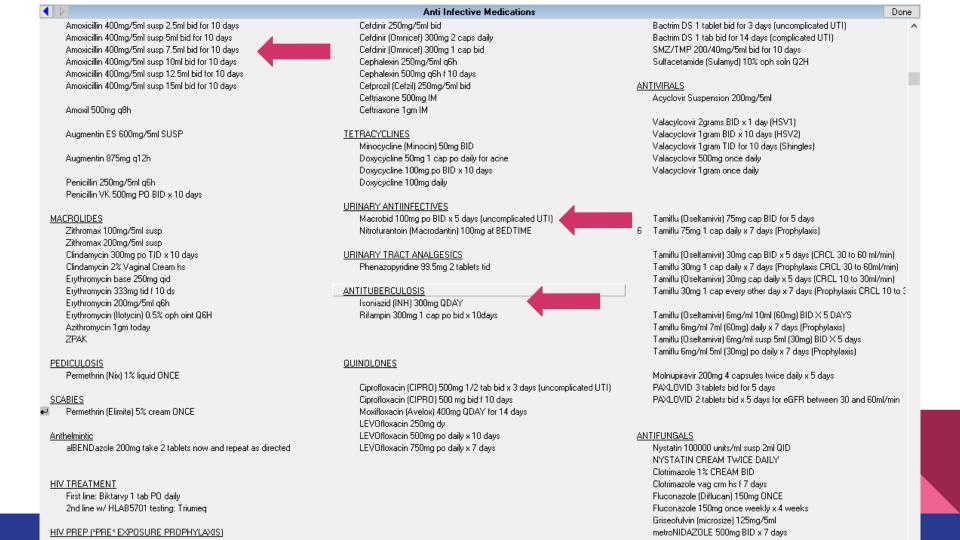
How is stewardship possible without anyone actively stewarding?

- Building relationships is 90% of a successful ASP
- Getting buy in from stakeholders
- Restricting/Steering
 - Developing tools as an ASP to help guide prescribing
 - Utilizing formulary restrictions with stewardship in mind

Current practices: Quick orders

- Implemented in 2018-2019 by previous ambulatory care pharmacist
- Most providers use quick orders
- Both alphabetical and by indication
- Reduces errors and saves time:
 - o provider indicates why other agent chosen over another
 - Orders placed with appropriate directions, quantity, etc
 - o First-line agents chosen more often, can be placed based on antibiogram, etc
- Not unique to just ASP but has pros/cons







The 'Anti Infective Medications by Indication' order menu was created as a tool to assist prescribers with therapeutic decision making and antimicrobial stewardship ultimately leading to improved patient outcomes. These guidelines have been developed using evidence based medicine and are not intended to replace clinical judgement. All recommendations are adapted from The Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC). The recommendations are adjusted based on susceptibility rates from the facility's most recent antibiogram. They will be updated yearly as new information becomes available and adjustments are made to the formulary.

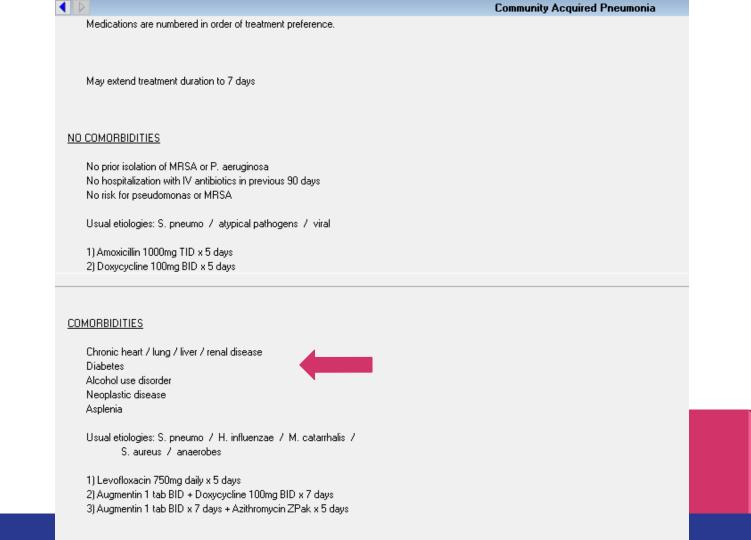
Treatment medications are generally listed in order of selection preference indicated by numbering. Therapeutic decisions should be based on a number of factors including patient history / comorbidities / suspected etiology / antimicrobial susceptibility patterns / cost. In certain populations the suspected organism may include a broader range i.e. IV drug users / immunosuppressed / travelers.

The following guidelines are considered appropriate treatment algorithms for adult patients who are not pregnant. All doses are oral unless otherwise indicated.

Skin and Soft Tissue Infections
Community Acquired Pneumonia
Bronchitis
HEENT
Urinary Tract Infections / Pyelonephritis
Sexually Transmitted Infections
Women's Health
Viral Infections
HIV Prophylaxis
Oral Infections

H. Pylori





Antibacterial Medications

SUSPENSIONS

Amoxicillin 400mg/5mL Augmentin 600mg/5mL Bactrim 200mg/40mg/5mL Cefdinir 250mg/5mL Cephalexin 250mg/5mL Azithromycin 100mg/5mL



CAPSULES / TABLETS Penicillin VK 250mg Tabs (Kids <27kg) Penicillin VK 500mg Tabs (Kids over 27kg)

Amoxicillin 500mg po BID x 10 days Amoxicillin 1000mg po BID x 10 days Amoxicillin 500mg po TID x 10 days Amoxicillin 1000mg po TID x 7 days

Macrobid 100mg po BID x 5 days

Augmentin 875mg/125mg po BID x 7 days Augmentin 875mg/125mg po BID x 10 days

Azithromycin ZPack po x 5 days

Bactrim DS 1 tab po BID x 3 days
Bactrim DS 1 tab po BID x 5 days
Bactrim DS 1 tab po BID x 10 days
Bactrim DS 1 tab po BID x 14 days
Bactrim DS 2 tabs po BID x 7 days
Bactrim DS 2 tabs po BID x 10 days
Bactrim DS 2 tabs po BID x 14 days
Cefdinir 300mg po BID x 10 days

Doxycycline 100mg po BID x 7 days Doxycycline 100mg po BID x 10 days Doxycycline 100mg po BID x 14 days

Antiviral Medications

SUSPENSIONS

Tamiflu (Oseltamivir) 6 mg/mL susp Acyclovir 200mg/5mL

CAPSULES / TABLETS

Influenza Prophylaxis Tamiflu 30mg po daily x 10 days Tamiflu 45mg po daily x 10 days Tamiflu 75mg po daily x 10 days

Influenza Treatment Tamiflu 30mg po BID x 5 days Tamiflu 45mg po BID x 5 days Tamiflu 75mg po BID x 5 days

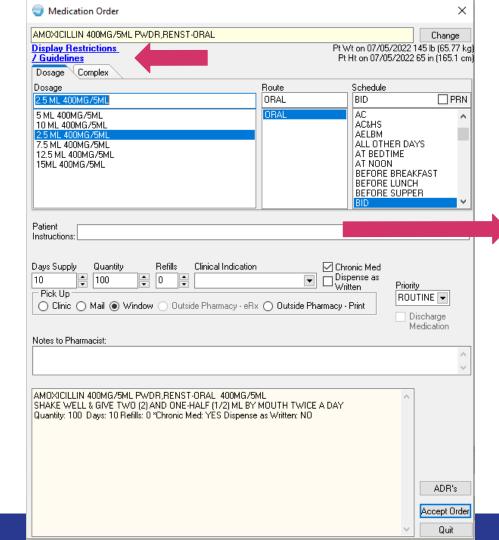
Antiparasitic Medications

✓ Permethrin 5% cream Apply to body once Permethrin 1% liquid

Albendazole 400mg x 1 dose

Antifungal Medications

Griseofulvin microsize 125mg/5mL susp Nystatin 100000 unit/mL susp Nystatin 100000 unit/gram topical cream Clotrimazole 1% topical cream Terbinafine 250mg po daily



Dosing table uses 45 mg/kg/day divided TID

kg	mL TID	kg	mL TID	kg	mL TID
3	0.5	16	3	29	5.5
4	0.75	17	3	30	5.5
5	1	18	3.5	31	6
6	1	19	3.5	32	6
7	1.25	20	4	33	6
8	1.5	21	4	34	6.5
9	1.5	22	4	35	6.5
10	1.75	23	4.5	36	7
11	2	24	4.5	37	7
12	2.25	25	4.5	38	7
13	2.25	26	5	39	7.5
14	2.5	27	5	40	7.5
15	2.75	28	5		
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Pneumonia, community acquired, empiric therapy (**HIGH DOSE**): Infants > or = 3 months, Children, and Adolescents: Oral: 90 mg/kg/day in divided doses every 12 hours; max 4,000 mg/day

Otitis media, acute (AOM): Infants > or = to 2 months and Children: Oral: 80 to 90 mg/kg/day in divided doses every 12 hours; max 4,000 mg/day Otitis Media Treatment Duration:

if < 2 years of age or severe symptoms (any age): 10 day course
if 2 to 5 years of age with mild to moderate symptoms: 7 day
course</pre>

> or = 6 years of age with mild to moderate symptoms: 5 - 7 day course

Dosing table uses 90 mg/kg/day divided BID

Advantages and Challenges

• Advantages:

- Updated with guidelines
- Able to provide universal provider training
- Streamlines orders for pharmacist review and processing
- Reduces provider frustration and "clicks" in EHR, expediting order/note entry
- Ouick way to modify prescribing practices without waiting for P&T, monthly meetings, etc
- o Provider feedback: generally positive

• Challenges:

- Who is responsible for updating?
- Staff turnover/working short
- Multiple menus = multiple places to update quick orders
- o Time needed for this project grows exponentially based on facility size
- Example: Ceftriaxone

Low-hanging fruit

- HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis
- National Core Formulary presented at P&T
- Not frequent in this setting
- No quick orders previously
- Utilize both quick orders and text to provide quick information keep it concise!



History of inconsistent or no condom use Commercial sex work Recent hacterial STI

Heterosexual Women and Men
HIV positive sexual partner
High number of sex partners
History of inconsistent or no condom use
Commercial sex work
Recent bacterial STI

Persons Who Inject Drugs HIV positive injecting partner Sharing injection equipment

Truvada (Emtricitabine 200mg / TDF 300mg) 1 tab daily

Descovy (Emtricitabine 200mg / TAF 25mg) 1 tab daily Not for receptive vaginal sex Favored in patients with low bone density

HIV POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PEP)

Must be started within 72 hours of exposure PEP is not effective or recommended if started greater than 73 hours after exposure Treatment duration 28 days

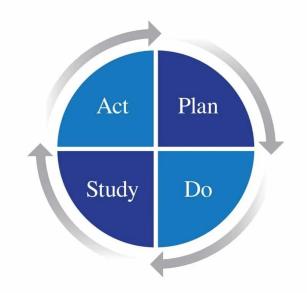
For patients with normal renal function
Truvada (Emtricitabine 200mg/TDF 300mg) 1 tab daily +
Isentress (Raltegravir) 400mg BID x 28 days

Formulary Management

- Another area to guide prescribing habits and antimicrobial stewardship
- Restrictions on medications with long-term considerations i.e., restrict fluoroquinolones
- May be beneficial when combined with quick order management
- Getting the time allocated
- Examples:
 - STIs in general
 - o CAP
 - o HIV PrEP, PEP and treatment

Long-term projects: the PDSA

- Short term projects may also follow a PDSA model
- Great way to track previous efforts and make small changes
- Example PDSA is a longer term project



Stewardship Strategies

- To date passive stewardship
 - Restricting/Steering prescriptions
 - Examining appropriateness of therapy

- Current and future
 - o prospective feedback
 - Active culture monitoring by pharmacist

Prospective Stewardship?

- Clinic Pharmacy
 - O Dispensing/order entry pharmacist

- Tracking real time interventions
 - Recommendations accepted/declined
 - Monitoring days of therapy

• Building stewardship centered care!

Thank you!



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