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How to Measure the Effectiveness of Incorporating Antibigram Data at Your Facility

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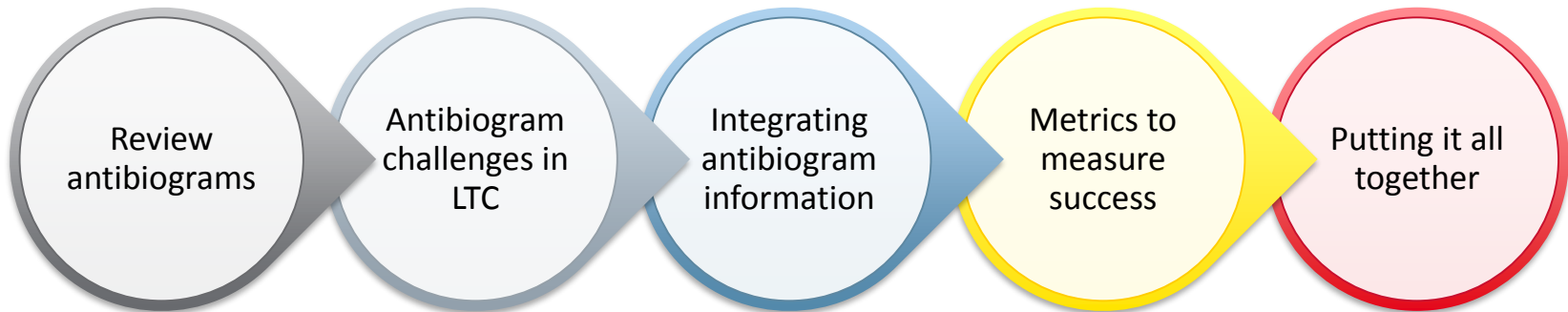
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Objectives

1. Identify properties of antibiograms that can be incorporated into facility's policies and procedures.
2. Select key concepts for optimizing use of local susceptibility data at your practice site.
3. Determine process and outcome metrics to evaluate incorporating antibiogram data at your practice site.

Lecture Outline



Recall: Susceptibility Testing

- Clinical microbiology completes susceptibility testing on individual samples
- Testing to determine minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC)
- MICs referenced against clinical breakpoints for microorganism-drug combination
 - Susceptible
 - Intermediate
 - Resistant
- Table refers to the *susceptibility of the individual sample from the individual patient*



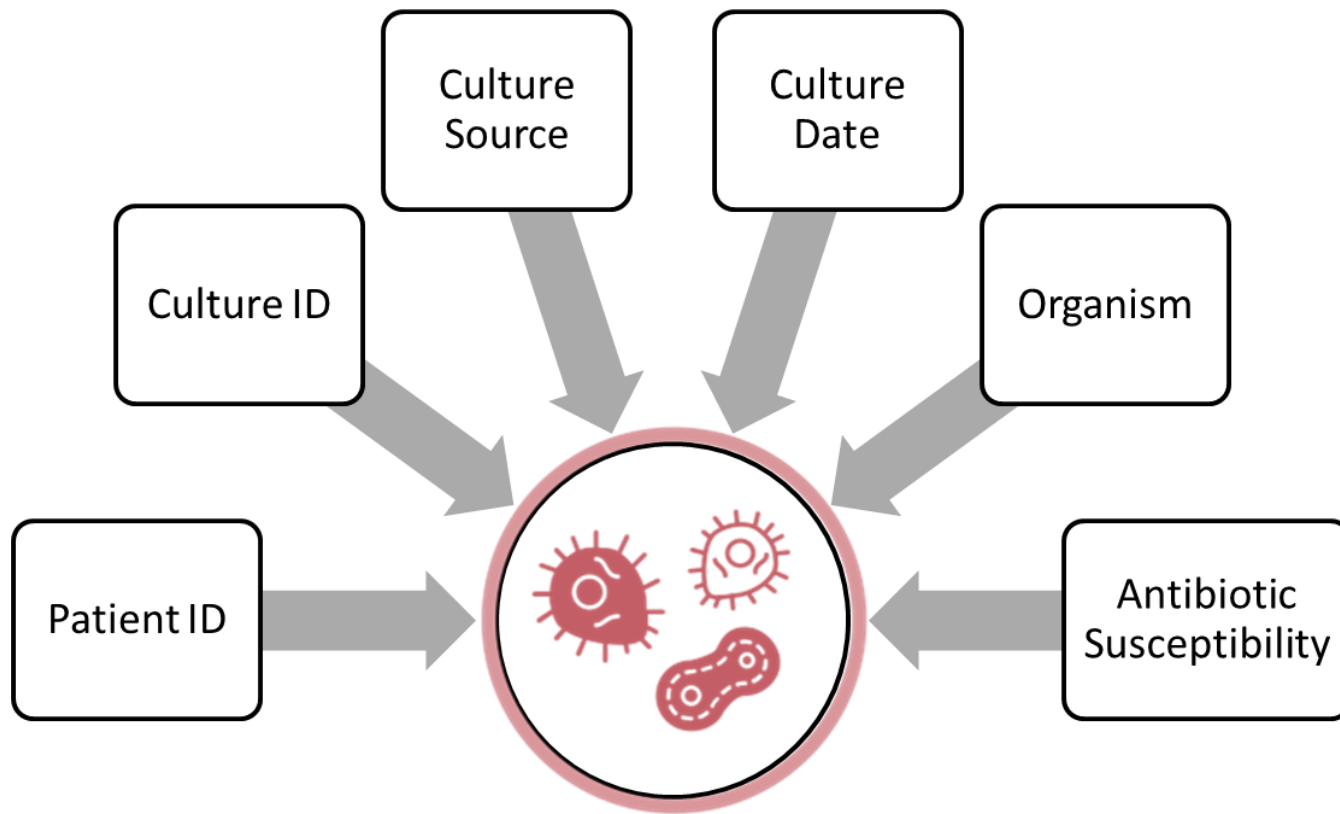
Antibiotic	MIC ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	MIC interpretation
Ceftriaxone	0.5	Sensitive
Clindamycin	≤ 0.03	Sensitive
Daptomycin	4	Sensitive
Erythromycin	0.5	Sensitive
Gentamicin	≤ 0.12	Sensitive
Linezolid	2	Sensitive
Penicillin	≤ 0.03	Sensitive
Vancomycin	1	Sensitive

MIC, minimal inhibitory concentration.

Recall: Antibiograms

- Also known as *cumulative susceptibility tests*
- Report usually generated by clinical microbiology lab
 - Bacterial isolates from patients at your facility/local facilities
 - Percent of isolates susceptible to given antibiotic agents (microorganism-drug combination)
- Goal of guiding providers *empiric* antibiotic choices based on local susceptibility data
- Can also be used to monitor trends in resistance at your facility

Recall: AntibioGrams



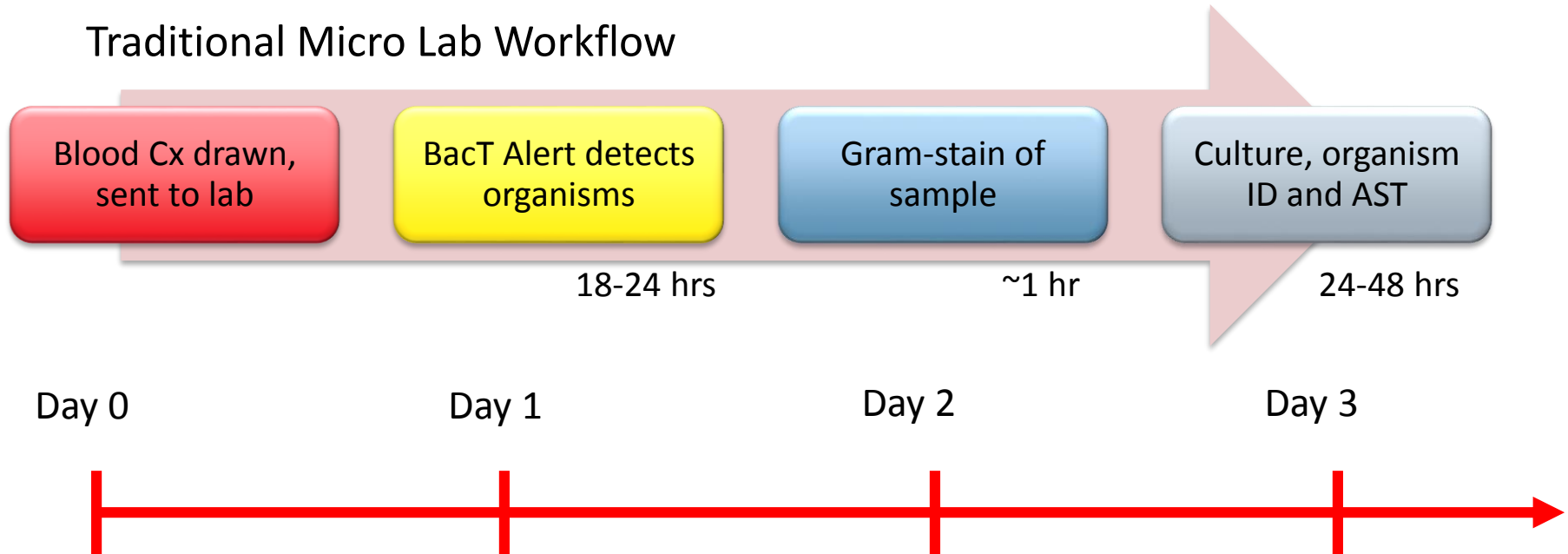
Gram Negative Organism	N	Antibiotics tested						Cephalosporins			Quinolones		Others		
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<i>Acinetobacter</i> spp	279	75					38	0	31	46	35			88	39
<i>Citrobacter</i> spp	173	99					92	50	87	98	92	92	95	100	85
<i>Enterobacter</i> spp	444	99	96	43	99	94	80	11	78	98	95	96	78	97	88
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	987	99	87	68	100	100	93	86	92	93	60	67	98	100	65
<i>Klebsiella</i> spp	716	95	90	74	99	95**	86	78	85	85	83	88	72	94	78
<i>Morganella morganii</i>	43	100	79	49	100	100	100	7	93	100	76	72	6		63
<i>Proteus</i> spp	378	99	90	88	100	100	99				83	82			77
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	142	99	99	11	100	100	96				98	100	0	99	95
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	697	98	87		79		81			91	77	65			0

Note: Information is based on one isolate per patient admission or visit. The most resistant result for each antibiotic per organism is collected.

** 5% of *Klebsiella* are considered KPC producers

Importance of AntibioGrams

Traditional Micro Lab Workflow



- After collection of specimen, organism ID can take several days
 - Susceptibility results may take an additional day
- Cannot target/tailor antibiotics until results are known

Importance of Antibiograms

- CDC Core Elements for ASP in Long-Term Care



Leadership commitment
Demonstrate support and commitment to safe and appropriate antibiotic use in your facility



Accountability
Identify physician, nursing and pharmacy leads responsible for promoting and overseeing antibiotic stewardship activities in your facility



Drug expertise
Establish access to consultant pharmacists or other individuals with experience or training in antibiotic stewardship for your facility



Action
Implement **at least one** policy or practice to improve antibiotic use



Tracking
Monitor **at least one process** measure of antibiotic use and **at least one outcome** from antibiotic use in your facility



Reporting
Provide regular feedback on antibiotic use and resistance to prescribing clinicians, nursing staff and other relevant staff



Education
Provide resources to clinicians, nursing staff, residents and families about antibiotic resistance and opportunities for improving antibiotic use

- *Excellent tool to monitor trends in antibiotic resistance*

Antibiogram Limitations

- Not generalizable
- Only report phenotypic susceptibility
 - No MIC data, no data on intrinsic resistance
- Does not take in to account individual patient factors
 - History of drug resistance (i.e. prior ESBL)
 - Surveillance culture at other body site
 - Past antibiotic exposure
 - Patient comorbidities (risk for resistance)
 - Patient acuity (level of critical illness)

Antibiogram Challenges in Long-Term Care

- Long-term care facilities have unique challenges when developing antibiograms
 - Facility with small number of patients
 - Limited number of diagnostic isolates
 - Working with multiple laboratories
 - Lack of electronic medical records

Antibiogram Challenges in Long-Term Care

Approach	Advantages/Disadvantages
Extending the antibiogram data beyond 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technically simple/easy to create• Resistance patterns may change from year to year
Creating a regional antibiogram	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helpful if residents access facilities throughout the region• Requires coordination between multiple laboratories and facilities
Using antibiograms of nearby hospitals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antibiograms created annually by hospitals• Bacteria that infect LTCF residents may not have similar antimicrobial susceptibilities to those of the hospital population
Collapsed antibiograms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Help guide infection-specific antibiotic choices• Intrinsic resistance of some bacteria to specific antibiotics would not be listed

Incorporating Antibigram Information



Validated available antibiogram

Policies & procedures for antibiogram

Educate nursing and prescribers

Disseminate antibiogram

Ways to Integrate Antibigram Information

- Nursing and provider education is key
- Need to make aware of antibiogram and application of data
 - Available through institutional webpage
 - Hand out pocket cards with most recent antibiogram
 - Provide in-services when new antibiogram becomes available

Incorporating Antibigram Information

- Do not reinvent the wheel
- AHRQ Toolkit 3, Phase 3: Implementation
 - Provides sample policies and procedures
 - Educational materials
 - Draft emails and communications
- AHRQ Toolkit 3, Phase 4: Monitoring
 - Antibiotic use tracking forms
 - Antibigram feedback survey



Policies & Procedures for Antibigram

1. Development of facility-specific policies, procedures, and clinical pathways
2. Changes in order-sets and/or clinical decision support services
3. Decisions regarding changes in facility formulary
4. Outcome metrics
5. Frequency of updating data

Example – Incorporating Local Susceptibility Information

- An antibiogram for Gram-negative microorganisms with data over the last calendar year has been developed and validated for your facility
- You are developing a new treatment pathway for management of UTIs

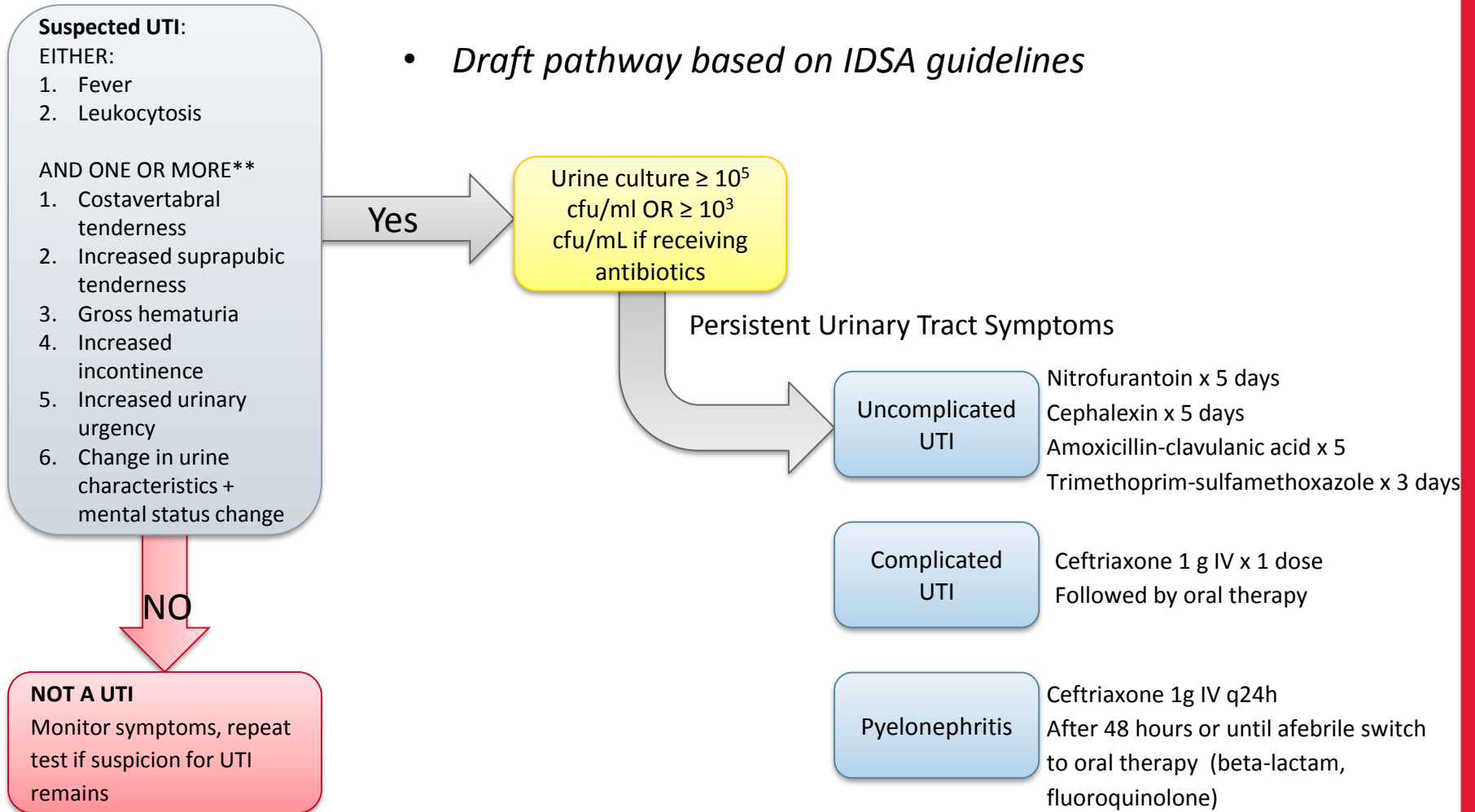
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Example – Incorporating Local Susceptibility Information

- *Draft pathway based on IDSA guidelines*



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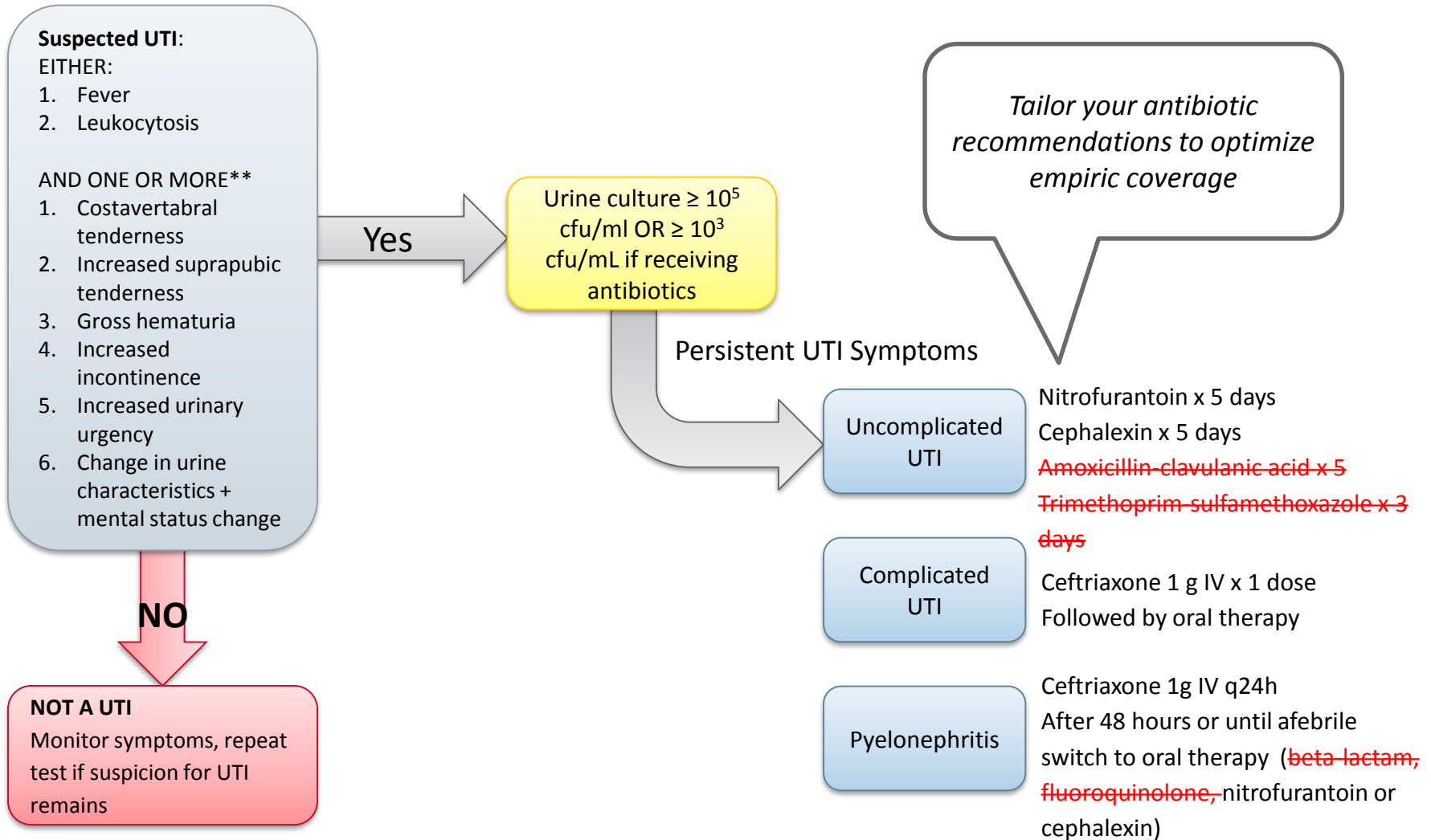
- How well is *E. coli* covered by antibiotics recommended on your facility formulary?

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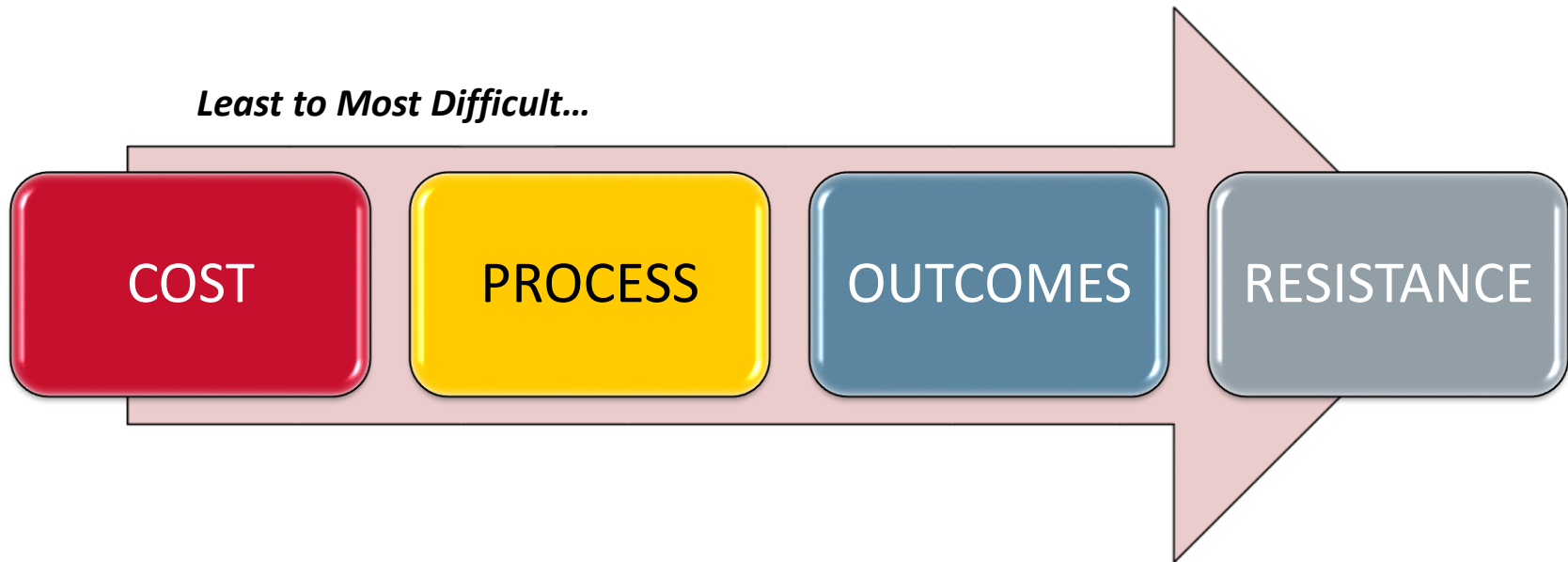
Incorporate Local Susceptibility Information in Pathways



Measuring Success - Metrics

- After implementation, measure success through process and outcomes metrics
- Process metrics
- Outcomes metrics
- CMS State Operations Manual
 - Tracking of *C. difficile*, MRSA, CRE
 - Monitoring of antibiotic use

Measuring ASP Success – Metrics



Examples of Metrics from the CDC

– Process metrics:

- Review resident medical records for new antibiotics
- Adherence to antibiotic prescribing policies
- Acceptance of antibiotic stewardship interventions
- Duration of antibiotic courses

– Outcomes metrics:

- Monitor institutional rates of *C. difficile* infection
- Record incidence of antibiotic-related adverse drug events

Antibiotic Consumption Metrics

Metric	Definition	Advantages	Disadvantages
Incidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of antibiotic courses started per 1000 resident care days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Useful to monitor impact of interventions to lower use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doesn't measure duration Requires resident-level data
Antibiotic utilization ratio (AUR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratio of total antibiotic days to total resident care days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most common metric used in published studies (usually expressed as total days per 1000 resident days) Used by CDC NHSN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doesn't measure duration Requires resident-level data
Cost per antibiotic day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratio of total antibiotic cost to total antibiotic days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May provide insight into prescribing of high cost antibiotics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires cost data and resident-level data
Cost per resident care day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratio of total antibiotic cost to total resident care days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May appeal to administrators because it relates cost to whole population 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires cost data Not all residents treated with an antibiotic

Antibiotic Consumption Metrics

	DOTs	DDD	SAAR
EXPLANATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Days patients received at least one dose of antimicrobial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance dose for average weight/renal function adult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Observed-to-predicted ratio of antimicrobial days (DOTs) by national benchmark
UNIT MEASURED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOT/1000 patient days DOT/1000 days present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DDD/1000 patient days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratio of observed antibiotic use to predicted
ADVANTAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standardization and benchmarking within and between facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not require patient levels data Can be used for benchmarking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indirect standardization metric Benchmarking by agent category or patient location
DISADVANTAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires patient-level data Can be technically difficult (i.e. IT) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assumes standard dosing and under or over-estimate based on clinical scenario 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses NHSN AUR Certain locations not included (i.e. ED, oncology units)
ENDORSEMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CDC/NHSN AUR Module 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Health Organization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Quality Forum

DOT = days of therapy; DDD = defined daily dose; SAAR = standardized antibiotic administration ratio; P/T = piperacillin/tazobactam; HO/MDRO = hospital onset/multi-drug resistant organisms; NHSN = National Healthcare Safety Network; AUR = Antibiotic Use Resistance Module

Measuring Antibiotic Consumption

- Antibiotic days of therapy (DOT) helps monitor use over time
- Antibiotic day = each calendar day a resident receives the antibiotic
- Antibiotic DOT = sum of all antibiotics for all residents in a given time frame

- Example: Resident received 7 days of cephalexin = 7 DOTs
 - Count each day they received at least one dose
- Example: Received azithromycin AND ceftriaxone for 5 days = 10 DOTs
 - Each antibiotic has its own count!
- Antibiotic DOT/1000 resident days (based on monthly DOT report)
 - $(\text{Total monthly antibiotic DOT} / \text{total monthly resident days}) * 1000$
- Antibiotic utilization ratio (AUR)
 - $\text{Total monthly antibiotic DOT} / \text{total monthly resident days}$

Application – Metrics to Assess?

Over a one-month period:

1. Proportion (%) of antibiotic orders adherent to pathway recommendations
2. How many antibiotic orders with indication for UTI?
3. DOTs for specific antibiotics (i.e. fluoroquinolones)

Uncomplicated
UTI

Nitrofurantoin x 5 days
Cephalexin x 5 days
~~Amoxicillin-clavulanic acid x 5~~
~~Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole x 3~~
~~days~~

Complicated
UTI

Ceftriaxone 1 g IV x 1 dose
Followed by oral therapy

Pyelonephritis

Ceftriaxone 1g IV q24h
After 48 hours or until afebrile
switch to oral therapy (~~beta-lactam,~~
~~fluoroquinolone,~~ nitrofurantoin or
cephalexin)

Examples of Metrics from the CDC

- Process metrics can include looking at all the patients in your facility on one day or week (point prevalence)
 - How many residents are receiving an antibiotic?
 - How many courses of antibiotics have an indication? Is the documentation complete?
 - Is empiric antibiotic selection in agreement with facility guidelines/pathways and antibiogram data?

Examples of Metrics from the CDC

- Outcomes metrics are more difficult to assess and harder to show change
- Important metrics from regulatory standpoint include tracking *C. difficile* infection (CDI)
- Incidence of CDI =
$$\frac{\text{number of new cases (confirmed by laboratory)}}{\text{number of residents (over time period, i.e. months)}}$$

Refer to Laboratory-identified Event module in NHSN
(<http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/cdiffmrsa/index.html>)

Application – Metrics to Assess?

Compare time period before and after implementation:

1. Incidence of CDI
2. Adverse antibiotic events in those being treated for UTI
3. Proportion resistant to empiric antibiotic therapy

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Trends in Antibiotic Resistance

- Resistance trends can be difficult to measure
- Use annual antibiograms to track resistance of certain drug-microorganism combinations
 - Rates of MRSA – resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*
 - Rates of CRE – resistant *Enterobacteriaceae*
 - Rates of VRE – resistant *Enterococci*

Example: Incorporating Antibiogram Information

- Antibiograms help guide antibiotic choices before patient specific culture/susceptibility information is available
- Guide initial *empiric* therapy recommendations

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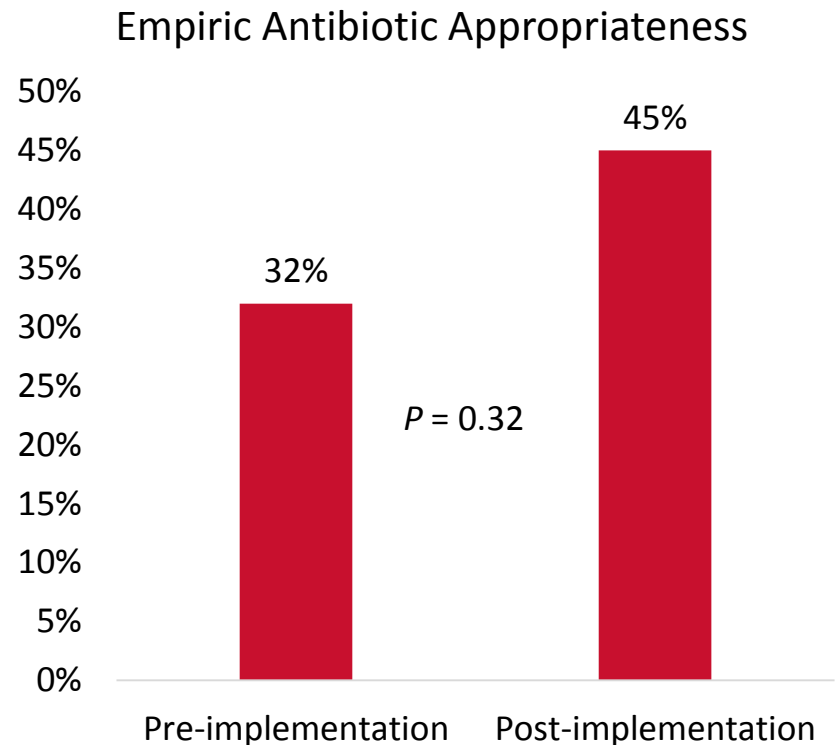
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Using Antibiograms to Improve Antibiotic Prescribing in Skilled Nursing Facilities

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- Evaluate effectiveness through assessment of changes in empiric antibiotic prescribing (SNF 1,118 beds)



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