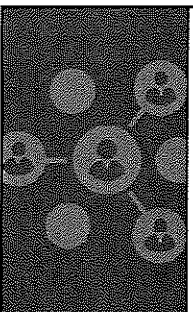


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Pediatric Antibiotic Update:
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Learning Objectives

- Discuss current and emerging antibiotic resistance threats in the US
- Understand antibiotic resistance patterns locally and nationally impact prescribing decisions
- Discuss common pediatric infections and recommendations for treatment
- Examine implications of antibiotic prescribing stewardship for practice



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Antibiotic Resistance in the US

- CDC *Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019*
- Urgent threats
 - *Clostridioides difficile* (*C. difficile*)
 - Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)
 - Drug-resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (*N. gonorrhoeae*)
- Serious threats
 - Drug-resistant *Candida*
 - Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)
 - Drug-resistant *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
 - Drug-resistant Tuberculosis



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Clostridioides difficile (*C. difficile*)

- Healthcare-associated infections are decreasing
- Community-acquired *C. difficile* unchanged
- Guh et al, 2020

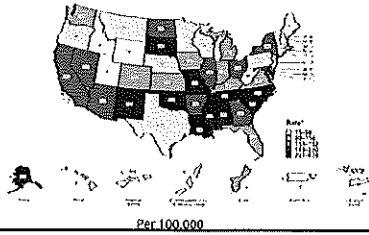


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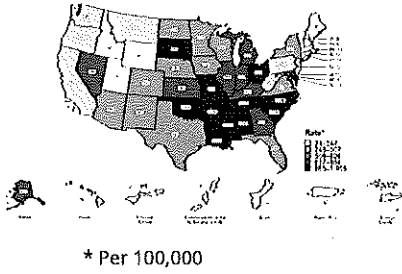
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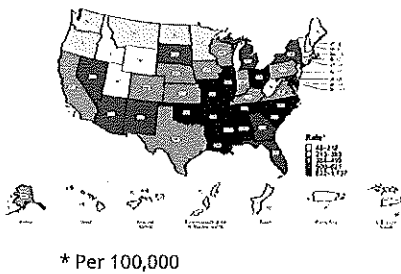
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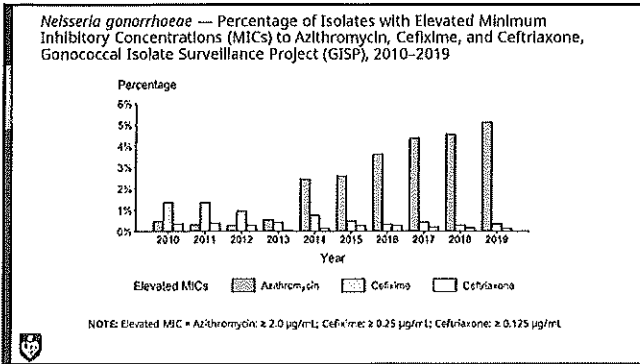


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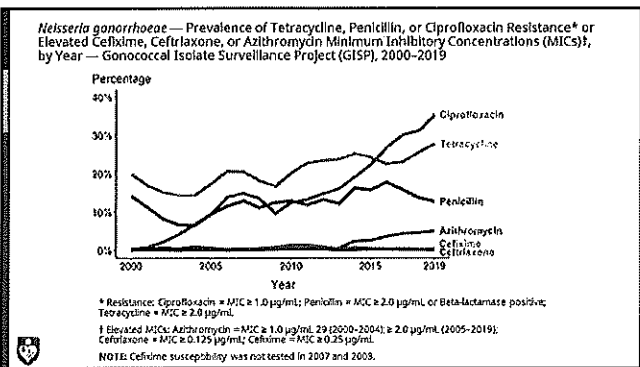
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DRUG-RESISTANT *CANDIDA AURIS*

323 Hospital Outbreaks in 2018

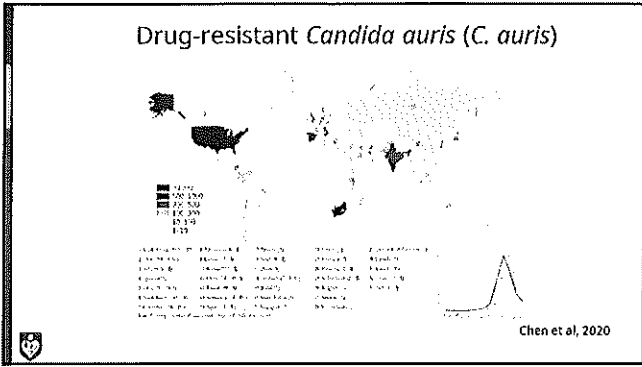
90% isolates resistant to at least two antifungals

30% isolates resistant to all three antifungals

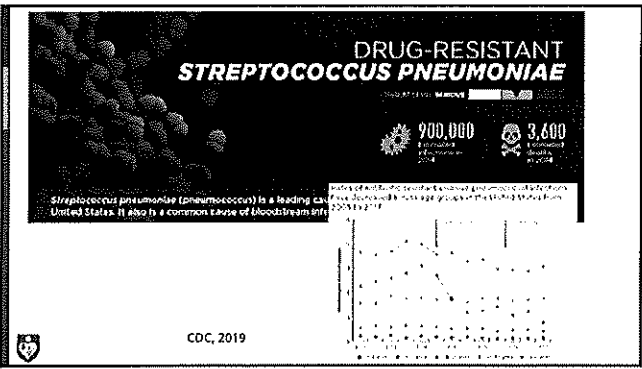
Candida auris (*C. auris*) is an emerging multidrug-resistant infection and spreads easily between hospitalized patients.

CDC, 2019

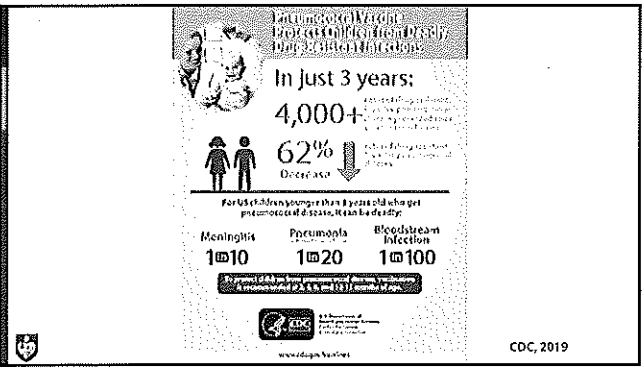
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Threats (CDC, 2019)

Concerning Threats

- Erythromycin-resistant Group A *Streptococcus*
- Clindamycin-resistant Group B *Streptococcus*

Watch List

- Azole-resistant *Aspergillus fumigatus*
- Drug-resistant *Mycoplasma genitalium* (*M. genitalium*)
- Drug-resistant *Bordetella pertussis* (*B. pertussis*)

CDC, 2019

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ERYTHROMYCIN-RESISTANT GROUP A STREPTOCOCCUS

5,400 Erythromycin-resistant cases in 2018

450 Mortality deaths in 2018

Group A *Streptococcus* (GAS) bacteria can cause mild infections such as strep throat, but they can also cause more serious, invasive disease such as cellulitis, pneumonia, flesh-eating infections.

INFECTIONS OVER TIME

CDC, 2019

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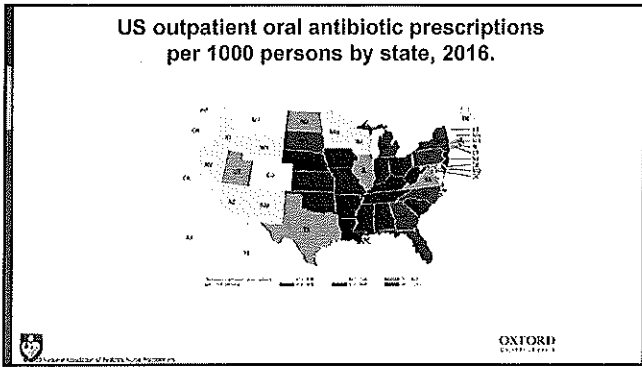
DO know your local resistance pattern. Seattle Children's Antiblogram (2019)

SEATTLE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ANTIBIOGRAM
2019

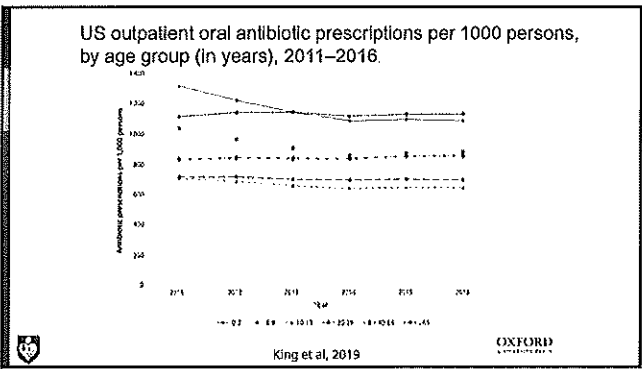
IN SEATTLE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

GRAM POSITIVE ORGANISMS	Number of Isolates	Clindamycin	Erythromycin	Trimethoprim-Sulfamethoxazole	Vancomycin	Daptomycin	Linezolid	Teicoplanin	Chloramphenicol	Streptogramin	Macrolide	Tetracycline	Mupirocin	Other
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA) total	313 (57%)	97 (31%)	29 (9%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)	13 (4%)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MSSA) total	192 (27%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)	8 (4%)
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i>	156 (23%)	35 (22%)	25 (16%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)	11 (7%)
<i>Staphylococcus pneumoniae</i>	61	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)	11 (18%)
<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i>	58 (8%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)	11 (19%)
<i>Staphylococcus sciuri</i>	41	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)	11 (27%)
<i>Staphylococcus carnosus</i>	25 (4%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)	11 (44%)

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Upper Respiratory Pathogens (AOM/Sinusitis)

- *S. pneumoniae* (15-25%)
- Non-typeable *H. Influenzae* (50-60%)
- *M. catarrhalis* (12-15%)
- Sterile (15-20%)

Viruses

Wald & DeMuri, 2018

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AOM/Sinusitis Guidelines

Acute Otitis Media (Lieberthal, AS et al., 2013)

- First line: High dose amoxicillin
- Second line:
 - High-dose amoxicillin-clavulanate
 - Cefdinir (14 mg/kg/day)
 - Cefuroxime (30 mg/kg/day)
 - Cefpodoxime (10 mg/kg/day)
 - Ceftriaxone (50 mg/kg IM)
- PCN Allergy:
 - First line: Cefdinir or Cefuroxime
 - Second line: cefpodoxime or ceftriaxone

Bacterial Sinusitis (Wald et al, 2013)

- First line:
 - Amoxicillin 45 mg/kg/day
 - High risk of resistance use high dose amoxicillin
 - If > age 2 yrs, no daycare and no antibiotics for 4 weeks use high dose amoxicillin-clavulanate
- Second line:
 - High-dose amoxicillin-clavulanate
 - Cefdinir (14 mg/kg/day)
 - Cefuroxime (30 mg/kg/day)
 - Cefpodoxime (10 mg/kg/day)
 - Ceftriaxone (50 mg/kg IM)
- PCN allergic
 - Cefdinir, cefuroxime or cefpodoxime
 - Moderate to severe sinusitis in children < 2 yrs with type I allergy: Clindamycin and cefixime

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AOM Pathogens

- Systematic Review of 48 studies, 15,871 cultures (Mather et al, 2019)
 - 67% of cultures grew bacteria
 - 30% *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
 - 23% *H. flu*
 - 5% *Moraxella catarrhalis*
 - Antibiotic effectiveness
 - Amoxicillin 86%
 - Amoxicillin-clavulanate 93%
 - Erythromycin 64%

- Bacterial pathogens with spontaneous rupture of TM in children vaccinated with PCV13 (Levy et al, 2019)
 - 53.4% no otopathogen
 - Pathogens
 - Non-typable *H. flu* 48.4%
 - Gp A Strep 34.7%
 - *S. pneumoniae* 27.9%
 - By age
 - Infants/toddlers NTHI 53.1%
 - Older children GAS

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Time to rethink the guidelines?

- Prevalence of *S. pneumoniae* primary pathogen has decreased from 40-45% in 1999 to 15-25% in 2017 (Wald & DeMuri, 2018)
- High-dose amoxicillin was based on penicillin resistant *S. pneumoniae*
- *H. flu* and *M. catarrhalis* are resistant to amoxicillin
- Regular dose amoxicillin-clavulanate will treat resistant *H. flu* and *M. catarrhalis* - no need for high dose amoxicillin-clavulanate
- Consider amoxicillin-clavulanate 45 mg/kg/d in 2 divided doses of 400 mg/57 mg

Wald, ER & DeMuri, GP (2018)

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Community Acquired Pneumonia

- *S. pneumoniae* is the most common cause of bacterial pneumonia in patients of all ages
- Infants 4 to 16 weeks:
 - Consider chlamydia
- Respiratory viruses most common in first 2 to 3 years of life (80% of CAP)
- Adolescence:
 - Consider mycoplasma
- CA-MRSA
- Virus
- ISDA Peds Guideline: Bradley et al (2011)
- New ISDA Pediatric CAP guidelines under development



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Pneumonia antibiotic choices in Children

(Bradley et al., 2011)

Infants and children < age 5 years

- Fully Immunized with bacterial pneumonia (*S. pneumoniae*)
 - Amoxicillin 80-90 mg/kg/day
 - PCN allergy: Clindamycin or a macrolide
- Unimmunized for Hib or PCV
 - Ceftriaxone 50 mg/kg
- Infant with suspected chlamydial pneumonia
 - Azithromycin (American Academy of Pediatrics Red Book, 2018)

Children 5 yrs or older

- Guidelines say amoxicillin 90 mg/kg to max 4 gm per day
- Treat for 10 days
- Mycoplasma or other atypical most likely
 - Azithromycin
 - Erythromycin
 - Doxycycline if > 7 yrs

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Shorten therapy for Pediatric CAP

- Double blind RCT
- Children age 6 months to 10 years (median age 2.6 yrs)
- 5 days high-dose amoxicillin + 5 days placebo vs 5 days + 5 days of high-dose amoxicillin
- Clinical cure at 14 to 21 days was 85.7% in the intervention group vs 84.1% in the control group

Pernica et al, 2021



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Strep Pharyngitis

- Pathogen: Streptococcus pyogenes
- Strep 20-30% of pharyngitis
- The incubation period for streptococcal pharyngitis is 2 to 5 days (AAP Red Book, 2021)
- Most rapid strep tests are 90 to 95% accurate
 - Rapid tests and throat cultures cannot differentiate between GAS pharyngitis and GAS carriers
- Likelihood of positive strep is higher with fewer viral symptoms (cough, rhinorrhea)
 - Patients with any viral feature were ~30% less likely to have GAS, and patients with ≥2 features were >40% less likely to have GAS (Shapiro et al, 2017)



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Strep Pharyngitis

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Treatment (Red Book, 2021; ISDA, 2012):

- Penicillin
 - PO 250 mg BID if < 27 kg or 500 mg BID if > 27 kg
 - IM penicillin G benzathine single dose of 600 000 U (<27kg), > 27 kg and adults 1.2 million U
- Amoxicillin 50 mg/kg in a single daily dose (max 1 gm)
 - No statistical difference in negative cultures after treatment between QD, BID or TID dosing (Nako et al, 2019)
- 1st generation cephalosporin
 - Cephalexin (Keflex) 40-50 mg/kg/day dosed BID (max 500 mg BID)
 - Cefadroxil (Duricef) 30 mg/kg/day (max 1 gm)
- Clindamycin 7 mg/kg/dose tid (max 500 mg tid)



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Group A Strep pharyngitis: PCN allergic

- ▶ 1st generation cephalosporin (cephalexin)
- ▶ If immediate Type 1 hypersensitivity:
 - ▶ Clindamycin 20 mg/kg/day divided TID (max 1.8 gm/day)
 - ▶ Or macrolide
 - ▶ Azithromycin (12 mg/kg/day [maximum, 500 mg]) for 5 days
 - Macrolides have resistance (up to 23%)



(AAP Red Book, 2021)

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GAS Carriers

- 20-25% of children may be asymptomatic carriers during the winter months (AAP Red Book, 2021)
 - May be colonized by GAS pharyngitis for 26 months
- Children who are carriers are more likely to present with URI sx and atypical symptoms (Rick, Zaheer & Martin, 2020)
- Eradication therapy (Red Book, 2021; IDSA, 2012)
 - Clindamycin 30 mg/kg/day in 3 doses (max 300 mg/dose) x 10 days
 - Augmentin 40 mg amoxicillin/kg/d in 3 doses daily (max = 2000mg amoxicillin/d) x 10 days
 - Penicillin V: 50 mg/kg/d in 4 doses x 10 d (max = 2000 mg/d) PLUS rifampin: 20 mg/kg/d in 1 dose x last 4 d of treatment (max = 600 mg/d)



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Nongroup A Streptococcal Pharyngitis in Children

- Large (N=116,578) retrospective study of children age 0 to 18 yrs
 - Non-group A beta-hemolytic strep (NGAS) 3.1% vs 22.8% Group A strep (GAS)
 - NGAS lower rates of fever, throat erythema, and lymphadenopathy and higher rates of cough and rhinorrhea compared with those with GAS
- Strep C or G
- Not detected with rapid strep
- Treatment:
 - Not known to trigger acute rheumatic fever
 - May treat if symptomatic (fever, tonsillar exudates, tender cervical lymphadenopathy)
 - Tx same as GAS: PCN, amoxicillin (Frost et al., 2019)



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Group A strep Vaccine

- GAS pharyngitis, sinusitis and AOM account for 26.9% of pediatric outpatient visits
- Vaccines for GAS are in development
- A GAS vaccine could prevent 5.4% of antibiotic prescriptions among 3 to 9 yr olds
- Routine tx of pharyngitis with antibiotics would be unnecessary

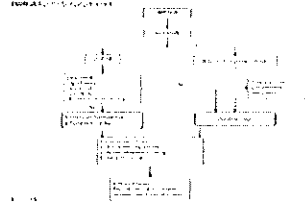
Lewnard et al, 2020



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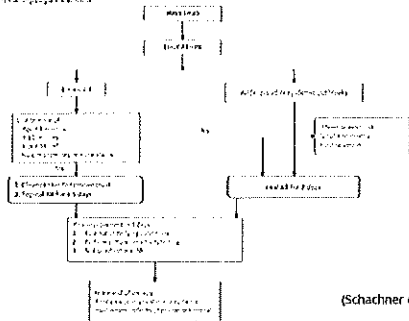
Impetigo

- New (Feb 2021) internationally developed algorithm for treatment of Impetigo (Schachner et al, 2021)
- Localized
 - < 10 vesicles
 - Size < 36 cm²
 - Age > 2 months
 - Immunocompetent



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FIGURE 1A Algorithm for impetigo treatment



(Schachner et al, 2021)

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Topical Antibiotics for impetigo

Order #	Name of Drug	Indication	Antimicrobial activity	Dosing
1	Ozenoxacin (Kepti)	2 mo of age or older	Gram + bacteria, including MRSA, effective against mupirocin-resistant MRSA	BID x 5 days
2	Mupirocin 2% ointment, 1% ointment for 2mo to 10 yrs	2 mo of age or older	Effective against gram + bacterial, including MRSA	TID fro 7 to 10 days
3	Retapamulin 1% ointment	Impetigo in pts age 9 mo or older	Active again <i>S. aureus</i> & <i>S. Pyogenes</i> , not MRSA	TID x 7 to 10 days
4	Fusidic acid	No age limit	Active against <i>S.aureus</i> , <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Cornibacterium minutissimum</i>	TID x 7 to 10 days

(Schachner et al, 2021)



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Comparison of topical antibiotics for impetigo

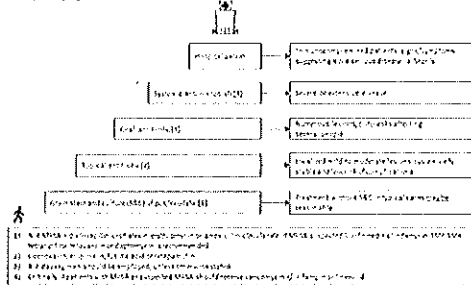
- Ozenoxacin (Xepi) - \$320 for 30 gm tube
- Mupirocin 2% (Bactroban) - \$55 for 22 gm tube
- Retapamulin (Altabax) 1% ointment - \$350 for 15 gm tube
- fusidic acid (UK med)

Eudaley, 2020



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FIGURE 28. Steps of impetigo treatment



[Schachner et al, 2021]

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Oral antibiotics for impetigo

Not MRSA Infection	MRSA Infection
Oxicloxacillin	Vancomycin IV
Cephalexin	Clindamycin PO
Erythromycin (based on sensitivity)	TMP/Sulfa PO
Amoxicillin/clavulanate	Doxycycline
Cefadroxil	Telavadin, Linezolid, Daptomycin all 3 rd line

Oral antibiotics x 7 days

[Schachner et al, 2021]



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UTI in infants > 1 month and young children

- Use local resistance patterns to guide antibiotic choice
- Oral therapy
 - Afebrile and nontoxic – 1st gen cephalosporin (cephalexin 50 mg/kg/day divided BID)
 - Febrile – 3rd gen cephalosporin
 - Cefuroxime 30 mg/kg per day by mouth in two divided doses
 - -Cefixime 8 mg/kg once daily
 - -Cefdinir 14 mg/kg by mouth once daily
 - -Ceftibuten 9 mg/kg by mouth once daily
- Outpatient parenteral therapy
 - Ceftriaxone 50 mg/kg once daily (max 2000 mg)
 - Switch to oral antibx when afebrile for 24 hours



Shaikh & Hoberman, 2021

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Prevalence of Inappropriate Antibiotic Prescribing

- Targets based on lowest prescribing regions for sinusitis, otitis media, streptococcal pharyngitis, and no antibiotics for asthma, allergy, bronchitis, bronchiolitis, influenza, URI
- For 0-19 yr olds: 29% of antibiotic prescriptions are inappropriate
 - 100% of URI/asthma/bronchitis
- For all ages: 50% of antibiotics are inappropriately prescribed

Fleming-Dutra et al., 2016



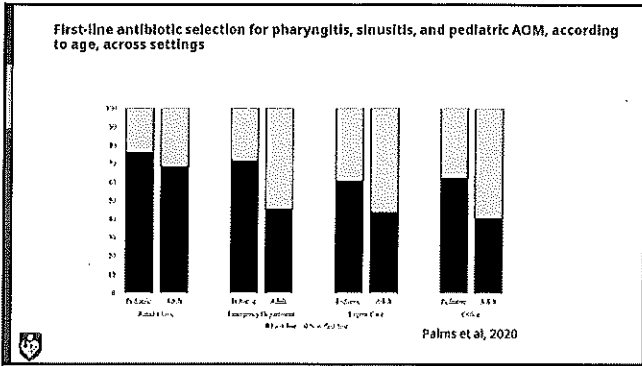
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Guideline adherence

- Academic vs community practice adherence to guidelines (Abuall et al, 2019)
 - The correct prescribing rate: academic practice 67% vs 21% community practices
- Following pneumonia guidelines (Poole, Shapiro, Kronman & Hersh, 2019)
 - Amoxicillin 23%; azithromycin 47%; cephalosporins 26%
 - Azithromycin more likely in ED than private practice
- Guideline adherence for pharyngitis, AOM, sinusitis and pneumonia primary care vs urgent care vs peds ED (Islam et al, 2020)
 - Pharyngitis: UCC and ED, 26.3% prescribed antibiotics with no supporting diagnostic test
 - AOM: 91% of children > age 5 yrs had antibx for > 7 days
 - Sinusitis: first line antibiotics given 64% of the time, azithromycin most common non first line (14%)



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Antibiotic Prescribing During Pediatric Direct-to-Consumer Telemedicine Visits

- Acute respiratory infections
- 4604 telemedicine, 38,408 urgent care, and 485,201 PCP visits
- 52% of telemedicine visits versus 42% urgent care and 31% PCP visits received antibiotics ($P < .001$ for both comparisons)
- Guideline-concordant antibiotic management
 - 59% of DTC telemedicine visits versus 67% urgent care and 78% PCP visits ($P < .001$ for both comparisons)

Ray et al, 2019

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Antibiotic Prescribing in Children's Hospitals
(Tribble et al, 2020)

- 32 US children's hospitals, 34,927 children, 11,784 receiving antibiotics for infections
- Antibiotic Stewardship Program (ASP) review found 21.0% of antibiotics were considered suboptimal
 - 27.5% were drug-bug mismatch
 - 17.6% surgical prophylaxis > 24 hrs
 - 11.2% overly broad
 - 11.0% unnecessary treatment
- ASP recommendations
 - 44.7% stop antibiotic
 - 19.7% narrow the spectrum

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CDC Resources (www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use)

- Extensive resources
- Pediatric Inpatient and Outpatient guidelines
- Patient Information
 - Handouts
 - Prescription pads
 - Posters
- Infographics
- Multiple languages (Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, French, Portuguese)



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Penicillin Allergy

10% of the population reports a penicillin allergy but <1% of the whole population is truly allergic.



<https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/community/for-hcp/Penicillin-Allergy.html>

- Starts with accurate Hx & PE
- Characteristics of an IgE-mediated (Type 1) reaction:
 - Reactions that occur immediately or usually within one hour
 - Hives: Multiple pink/red raised areas of skin that are intensely itchy
 - Angioedema: Localized edema without hives affecting the abdomen, face, extremities, genitalia, oropharynx, or larynx
 - Wheezing and shortness of breath
 - Anaphylaxis
- Amoxicillin rash
 - occurs in 5% to 10% of children receiving amoxicillin
 - Appears 3 to 14 days from starting amoxicillin
 - Generalized dull, red, maculopapular rash
 - Begins on the trunk and spreads over most of the body. It may be most intense at pressure areas, elbows, and knees.
- Patients with EBV who receive amoxicillin may develop a non-allergic, non-pruritic rash



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CDC Recommendations for Penicillin Allergy Testing

- "Penicillin skin testing and challenge doses are reliable and useful methods for evaluating for IgE-mediated penicillin allergy"
- Skin testing
 - Predictive value of 95%
 - 100% if followed by oral challenge
- Patients with severe hypersensitivity syndromes should not have skin testing
- Cephalosporins can be used in patients with penicillin allergy
 - Pts with anaphylaxis may require allergy testing



<https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/community/for-hcp/Penicillin-Allergy.html>

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What YOU Can Do

- Know what pathogen you are treating and prescribe appropriately
- Know your local resistance pattern
- Do not prescribe antibiotics for viral infection
 - Avoid "Vitamin Z"
- Appropriately identify penicillin allergy
 - Not all rashes are due to hypersensitivity
- Consider an antibiotic stewardship program for your facility



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