

# Antibiotic Decision Making

## Measures

### Track 4: Acute Bacterial Sinusitis

#### Directions:

Pull 10 or more charts of patients diagnosed with acute bacterial sinusitis and;

- 1) Over 12 months of age;
- 2) Exclude patients that were hospitalized

Answer the questions based on actual chart documentation.

Aim	Data Collection Question	Measure	Goal
<p>100% of patients 12 months of age or older diagnosed with acute bacterial sinusitis will present with one or more of the acute bacterial sinusitis criteria</p>	<p>1. During the patient history/examination did the patient meet <u>one or more</u> of the following criteria for diagnosing acute bacterial sinusitis?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes    <input type="radio"/> No</p> <div data-bbox="487 752 1142 1073" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Criteria for diagnosing acute bacterial sinusitis:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Temperature <math>\geq 39^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>102.2^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) and purulent nasal discharge for 3 or more days.</li> <li>Persistent illness, ie, nasal discharge (of any quality) <u>or</u> daytime cough <u>or</u> both lasting 10 days or longer without improvement.</li> <li>Worsening course, ie, worsening or new onset of nasal discharge, daytime cough, or fever after initial improvement.</li> </ul> </div>	<p><b>Name:</b> Appropriate diagnosis of acute bacterial sinusitis based on acute bacterial sinusitis criteria present upon exam</p> <p><b>Definition:</b> Percentage of patients 12 months of age or older who are appropriately diagnosed with acute bacterial sinusitis that present with one or more of the criteria for acute bacterial sinusitis</p> <p><b>Source:</b> Question #1</p> <p><b>Numerator:</b> Yes selected in Question #1</p> <p><b>Denominator:</b> Total Number of Charts of patients with Yes selected in Question #1</p> <p><b>KCA:</b> Diagnose Infection Accurately</p>	<p>100%</p>

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<p>100% of patients will be assessed for the option of additional observation (ie, watchful waiting) for 3 days if <a href="#">criteria for additional outpatient observation</a> is met</p>	<p>2. Did the clinician assess the patient for additional observation (ie, watchful waiting) for 3 days if the patient met <a href="#">criteria for additional outpatient observation</a>?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes    <input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><b>Name:</b> Additional observation (ie, watchful waiting) criteria assessed</p> <p><b>Definition:</b> Percentage of patients who were assessed for 3 days of additional observation (ie, watchful waiting) if the patient met <a href="#">criteria for additional outpatient observation</a></p> <p><b>Source:</b> Question #2</p> <p><b>Numerator:</b> Yes, selected in Question #2</p> <p><b>Denominator:</b> Total Number of Charts</p> <p><b>Note:</b> <i>The clinician should either prescribe antibiotic therapy OR offer additional outpatient observation for 3 days to children with persistent illness (nasal discharge of any quality or cough or both for at least 10 days without evidence of improvement) (Evidence Quality: B; Recommendation)</i></p> <p><b>KCA: Diagnose Infection Accurately</b></p>	100%
<p>100% of patient medical records will have documentation that the patient/family was instructed to call if patient worsens or has not improved within 48-72 hours</p>	<p>3. Did the provider discuss and document instructions for the patient/family to call the practice if the patient has worsened or has not improved within 48-72 hours?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes, verbal discussion, and/or printed material provided and documented in the medical record</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No documentation</p>	<p><b>Name:</b> 48- 72 hours follow-up plan documented</p> <p><b>Definition:</b> Percent of patients with documentation in the medical record that the patient/family were instructed to call if patient worsens or has not improved within 48-72 hours</p> <p><b>Source:</b> Question #3</p> <p><b>Numerator:</b> Yes, Selected in Question #3</p> <p><b>Denominator:</b> Total Number of Charts</p> <p><b>KCA: Treat Infection Effectively</b></p>	100%

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100% of patient charts will have documentation that the risks of antibiotic therapy were discussed with the patient/family	<p>4. Did any provider discuss and document the following risks of antibiotic therapy with the patient/family?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes    <input type="radio"/> No</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="487 409 1115 698"> <tr> <td data-bbox="487 409 840 535"><b>Should always be discussed</b></td><td data-bbox="840 409 1115 535"><b>Should be discussed if patient/family has concerns</b></td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="487 535 840 589"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="487 535 840 589">• Side effects</li> </ul> </td><td data-bbox="840 535 1115 589"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="840 535 1115 589">• <a href="#">Antibiotic resistance</a></li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="487 589 840 698"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="487 589 840 626">• Allergic reaction</li> <li data-bbox="487 626 840 698">• Reasons an antibiotic is or is not prescribed</li> </ul> </td><td data-bbox="840 589 1115 698"></td></tr> </table>	<b>Should always be discussed</b>	<b>Should be discussed if patient/family has concerns</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="487 535 840 589">• Side effects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="840 535 1115 589">• <a href="#">Antibiotic resistance</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="487 589 840 626">• Allergic reaction</li> <li data-bbox="487 626 840 698">• Reasons an antibiotic is or is not prescribed</li> </ul>		<p><b>Name:</b> Risks of antibiotic therapy discussed with patient/family and documented</p> <p><b>Definition:</b> Percentage of patients with documentation that risks of antibiotic therapy were discussed with the patient/family</p> <p><b>Source:</b> Question #5</p> <p><b>Numerator:</b> Yes selected in Question #5</p> <p><b>Denominator:</b> Total Number of Charts</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>It is important that patients and families understand the risks of antibiotic therapy and the reasons an antibiotic is or is not prescribed.</i></p> <p><b>KCA: Provide Guidance and Education</b></p>	100%
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80% of patients with acute bacterial sinusitis will be prescribed antibiotics judiciously	<p>5. What antibiotic was prescribed?</p> <p>a) <input type="radio"/> amoxicillin      b) <input type="radio"/> amoxicillin-clavulanate      c) <input type="radio"/> cefdinir, cefuroxime, cefpodoxime, or ceftriaxone      d) <input type="radio"/> <a href="#">Other antibiotic prescribed</a>      e) None, additional observation (watchful waiting) chosen</p> <p><b>If option b, c, or d is selected, CONTINUE</b></p> <p> If option a) amoxicillin; or e) None, additional observation (watchful waiting) is selected STOP, you have completed your review of this patient.</p>	<p><b>Name:</b> Judicious use of antibiotics</p> <p><b>Definition:</b> Percentage of patients prescribed antibiotics for acute bacterial sinusitis judiciously</p> <p><b>Source:</b> Questions #5 &amp; #6</p> <p><b>Numerator:</b> a) amoxicillin selected in Question #5  <b>OR</b> b) amoxicillin-clavulanate selected in Question #5 <b>AND</b> reasons a, b or c selected in Question #6  <b>OR</b> c) cefdinir, cefuroxime, cefpodoxime, or ceftriaxone selected in Question #5 <b>AND</b> reasons a, b, d or e selected in Question #6</p> <p><b>Denominator:</b> Total number of charts <b>MINUS</b> e) None, additional observation (watchful waiting) selected in Question #5</p> <p><b>KCA: Treat Infection Effectively</b></p>	80%						

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N/A	<p>6. If amoxicillin was not prescribed, what was the reason the patient was <u>not</u> treated with amoxicillin? (Select <u>all</u> that apply).</p> <p>a) <input type="radio"/> Patient experienced previous <a href="#">severe allergic reaction</a>            b) <input type="radio"/> Patient experienced previous <a href="#">non-severe allergic reaction</a>            c) <input type="radio"/> Patient has taken amoxicillin in the past 30 days, or has purulent conjunctivitis, moderate to severe illness, younger than 2 years, attends child care            d) <input type="radio"/> Patient had previous adverse drug reaction with amoxicillin-clavulanate            e) <input type="radio"/> Known or suspected multi-drug resistant organism            f) <input type="radio"/> None of the above</p>	<p><b>Not Measured</b></p> <p><b>NOTE: This question is only asked if option a) amoxicillin is <u>not</u> selected in Question # 5</b></p>	N/A

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## Appendix

### Criteria for Additional Outpatient Observation

Persistent illness is a criterion for additional outpatient observation. The clinician should either prescribe antibiotic therapy OR offer additional outpatient observation for 3 days to children with persistent illness (nasal discharge of any quality or cough or both for at least 10 days without evidence of improvement). (Evidence Quality: B; Recommendation from the [AAP Clinical Practice Guideline for the Diagnosis and Management of Acute Bacterial Sinusitis in Children Aged 1 to 18 years. Pediatrics, 2013.](#))

Antibiotic therapy should commence if either the child does not improve clinically within several days of diagnosis or if there is clinical worsening of the child's condition at any time.

### Antibiotic Resistance

Antibiotic resistance refers to bacteria that have become resistance to the antibiotics designed to kill them. The overuse and/or inappropriate use of antibiotics can result in the drugs' ability to treat the infection.

### Non-severe and Severe Allergic Reactions

- **Non-severe** symptoms include hives or pruritic (itchy) rashes.
- **Severe** symptoms include anaphylaxis, angioedema, throat tightening, wheezing plus shock, airway compromise, or cardiovascular collapse. Cardiac collapse requires intervention (eg epinephrine, corticosteroids, vasopressors).

**Note:** Side effects such as vomiting, abdominal pain, and diarrhea are *non-allergic*.

### Other Antibiotic Prescribed<sup>1</sup>

Antibiotic	Remarks
levofloxacin, linezolid, or clindamycin <sup>2</sup>	May be recommended if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient experienced previous <u>severe</u> allergic reaction</li> <li>• Patient had previous adverse drug reaction with amoxicillin-clavulanate</li> <li>• Patient had known or suspected multi-drug resistant organism</li> </ul>
azithromycin, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, cephalexin, cefixime, tetracycline, ciprofloxacin, or moxifloxacin	NOT recommended. These medications do not provide appropriate coverage for typical bacterial sinusitis pathogens.

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<sup>4</sup>[AAP Clinical Practice Guideline for the Diagnosis and Management of Acute Bacterial Sinusitis in Children Aged 1 to 18 years. \*Pediatrics\*, 2013.](#)