



TOOLKIT 11 · ANTIMICROBIAL STEWARDSHIP · TOOL 3 OF 5

Antibiotic Prescribing Audit — Point Prevalence

One day, every inpatient on an antibiotic, ten questions each. Gives the Access share, the review rate, the documentation rate — the three numbers that drive stewardship

Facility · survey date · auditor · total inpatients today: ____ · on antibiotics:
____ (____ %)

No.	Ward	Antibiotic(s)	AWaRe: A / W / R	Indication written in notes	Per local guideline	Culture sent before start	Day of therapy	Reviewed at 48–72 h	Stop date on chart	Route IV / oral	Could be oral
1				☐	☐	☐		☐	☐		☐
2				☐	☐	☐		☐	☐		☐
3				☐	☐	☐		☐	☐		☐
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9				☐	☐	☐		☐	☐		☐
10				☐	☐	☐		☐	☐		☐
Indicator						This survey		Last survey		Target	
Patients on antibiotics (% of inpatients)										Track	
Access group share of prescriptions										≥ 60 %	
Indication documented										≥ 95 %	
Guideline-concordant										≥ 80 %	

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Cultures before start (sepsis, pneumonia, UTI)										≥ 80 %	
48–72 h review documented (day ≥ 3)										≥ 90 %	
Stop date documented										≥ 90 %	
IV that could be oral										≤ 10 %	

Adapted from the WHO methodology for point prevalence surveys of antibiotic use in hospitals (2018).

ASF standards: Standard 4 — antimicrobial stewardship (quarterly audit, feedback to prescribers)