

Accreditation Survey Activity Guide for Health Care Organizations – Summary for Antimicrobial Stewardship

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Changes effective January 1, 2017; Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Antimicrobial stewardship standard and survey process related material has been added to the following sections:

Document List:

- ❖ Document describing how the organization is using the CDC's Core Elements of Hospital Antibiotic Stewardship Programs
- ❖ Organization approved antimicrobial stewardship protocols (e.g. policies, procedures, or order sets)
- ❖ Antimicrobial stewardship data
- ❖ Antimicrobial stewardship reports documenting improvement (Note: If the data supports that antimicrobial stewardship improvements are not necessary make sure the surveyor is informed.)

Individual Tracer Activity:

During the individual tracer, the surveyor observes the following (includes but is not limited to):

- ❖ Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals: Education provided on the appropriate use of antibiotics for the following populations:
 - Emergency department patients who are prescribed antimicrobials
 - Ambulatory and clinic patients surveyed under the hospital program who are prescribed antimicrobials
 - Hospitalized patients who will be discharged on antimicrobials

During the individual tracer, the surveyor interviews staff about:

- ❖ Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals, and Nursing Care Centers: The education staff have been provided information on antimicrobial resistance and the organization's antimicrobial stewardship program

During the individual tracer, the surveyor may speak with available licensed independent practitioners about:

- ❖ Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals, and Nursing Care Centers: The education or information they have been provided on antimicrobial resistance and the organization's antimicrobial stewardship program

Competence Assessment

The surveyor discusses the following topics:

- ❖ Education on antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial stewardship (Note: surveyors will not review human resource records or medical staff records related to antimicrobial stewardship)

Medical Staff Credentialing and Privileging

- ❖ Education on antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial stewardship (Note: surveyors will not review medical staff records related to antimicrobial stewardship)

System Tracer - Data Management

Data-related topics that will be discussed during this session include:

- ❖ Antimicrobial Stewardship, including data and reports demonstrating improvement. If the data demonstrates that antimicrobial stewardship improvement is not necessary make sure the surveyor is informed.
- ❖ Antimicrobial Stewardship including: (Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals only)
 - A document that describes how the organization uses the CDC's Core Elements of a Hospital Antibiotic Stewardship Program. This information can be a separate document or can be included in other antimicrobial stewardship documents. This documentation does not have to be provided in a lengthy format but needs to describe how the core elements are addressed in their antimicrobial stewardship program.
 - Organization-approved antimicrobial stewardship protocols (e.g. policies, procedures or order sets are acceptable)
 - Antimicrobial stewardship multidisciplinary team

System Tracer - Medication Management

- ❖ Antimicrobial Stewardship including: (Hospitals only)
 - A document that describes how the organization uses the CDC's Core Elements of a Hospital Antibiotic Stewardship Program. This information can be a separate document or can be included in other antimicrobial stewardship documents. This documentation does not have to be provided in a lengthy format but needs to describe how the core elements are addressed in their antimicrobial stewardship program.
 - Organization-approved antimicrobial stewardship protocols (e.g. policies, procedures or order sets are acceptable)
 - Antimicrobial stewardship multidisciplinary team

Leadership Session

- ❖ Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals: How leadership demonstrates that antimicrobial stewardship is an organizational priority