

# UTI Emergency Department Clinical Pathway

See UTI ED order set

Well appearing child > 2 months\* with suspected UTI

If toxic, see sepsis pathway.

## Obtaining urine sample\*\*:

Toilet trained: Obtain clean catch UA. If positive, send urine culture.

Not toilet trained: Obtain catheterized specimen and send urinalysis (without reflex) and urine culture separately. Bagged UA only as screening tool in stable patient (never send for culture).

## Confirm signs/symptoms of UTI:

Simple cystitis: Afebrile kids >2yo with dysuria, urgency/frequency, suprapubic pain  
 Pyelonephritis: All kids <2yo with unexplained fever, kids >2yo with fever/chills, nausea/vomiting, flank/back pain

## Exclusion criteria\*

Urinary tract abnormalities or hardware  
 History of resistant organism  
 Immunocompromised  
 Sepsis/septic shock  
 Spina bifida  
 Pregnancy

Obtain urine sample\*\*:  
 Is UA abnormal?  
 +LE, +nitrites or >5WBC/hpf

## B-lactam Type 1 Hypersensitivity\*\*\*

Mild allergy: urticaria, hives  
 Severe allergy: angioedema, anaphylaxis  
 Avoid Cephalexin in patients with Amoxicillin and/or severe Penicillin allergy. Patients with a severe Amoxicillin allergy or who experience hives only to Cephalexin can receive a test dose of Ceftriaxone or Cefazolin. Reaction based on similarity of side chains.  
 Avoid Cephalosporin if prior history of serum sickness, EM/SJS/TEN and DRESS to a β-lactam.

Abnormal UA

## Meets admission criteria?

Unable to tolerate oral antibiotics  
 Requiring IV fluids for hydration  
 Failed outpatient treatment > 48 hours appropriate antibiotics  
 Concern for follow up

No

Yes

## Outpatient antibiotics

First line: PO Cephalexin  
 Cephalosporin or severe Penicillin allergy\*\*\*: PO Bactrim  
 Sulfa allergy: PO Nitrofurantoin (only simple cystitis >2yo), PO Ciprofloxacin  
 Gram positive cocci/Enterococcus: PO Amoxicillin

### Duration:

Simple cystitis: 5 days for ≥12yo, 7 days for 2yo-12yo  
 Uncomplicated pyelonephritis: 7-10 days

## Inpatient antibiotics

First line: IV Ceftriaxone or IV Cefazolin  
 Cephalosporin allergy\*\*\*: IV Ciprofloxacin  
 Gram positive cocci/Enterococcus: IV Ampicillin  
 History of resistant bacteria: IV Cefepime (consult ID)

## ED Discharge:

- Follow up urine cultures. Adjust antibiotics if resistant bacteria grow. Stop antibiotics if negative culture\*\*\*\*.
- Renal bladder ultrasound within 48h if not improving or 1-2 weeks of first febrile UTI in kids 2mo-2yo or older children with recurrent UTIs.
- Assess/treat constipation (major risk factor for UTI).
- Educate family to see doctor to assess urine for future fevers.
- Follow up with PCP 1-2 days.

## Definition of UTI\*\*\*\*:

Abnormal UA  
 (+LE, +nitrites or > 5WBC/hpf)  
 AND

Growth of a single urinary pathogen

Cath: definite UTI > 50,000 cfu/ml (possible > 10,000 cfu/ml)

Clean catch: definite UTI > 100,000 cfu/ml

# Antibiotic Recommendations

	<b>Outpatient (ED discharge or transition IV to PO)</b>	<b>Inpatient (ED admission)</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<b>UTI</b>	<p><b>First line:</b></p> <p>PO Cephalexin 25 mg/kg/dose TID (max 500 mg/dose)</p> <p><b>Cephalosporin allergy:</b></p> <p>PO Bactrim 4 mg TMP/kg/dose Q12H (max 160 mg TMP/dose)</p> <p><b>Cephalosporin and Sulfa allergy:</b></p> <p>PO Nitrofurantoin (only ≥2yo with simple cystitis**, NOT pyelonephritis) suspension 25mg/5 mL            7 to &lt;12kg: 12.5mg Q6H            12 to &lt; 22kg: 25mg Q6H            31 to &lt; 42kg: 50 mg Q6H            ≥ 42kg: 50 to 100mg Q6H</p> <p>PO Nitrofurantoin 100mg capsule BID</p> <p>PO Ciprofloxacin 10 mg/kg/dose BID (max 500 mg/dose) (suspension requires prior auth for outpatient use)</p> <p>PO Ciprofloxacin 500 mg BID (max 500 mg/dose) of 250 mg tablets</p> <p><b>Enterococcus/Gram positive cocci:</b></p> <p>PO Amoxicillin suspension 250mg/mL 16 mg/kg/dose TID (max 500 mg/dose)</p>	<p><b>First line</b> (AAP recommends IV Cefazolin for E. coli susceptibility ≥80% in urine):</p> <p>IV Ceftriaxone 50 mg/kg/dose Q24H (max dose 2000 mg)</p> <p>IV Cefazolin 25 mg/kg/dose Q8H (max dose 1000 mg)</p> <p><b>Cephalosporin allergy:</b></p> <p>IV Ciprofloxacin 10 mg/kg/dose Q8-12H (max dose 400 mg)(consult ID)</p> <p><b>Enterococcus/Gram positive cocci:</b></p> <p>IV Ampicillin 200 mg/kg/day divided Q6H (max 8 g/day)</p> <p><b>History of resistant organisms:</b></p> <p>IV Cefepime (consult ID before ordering)</p>	<p><b>Simple cystitis*</b></p> <p>≥2yo-12yo: 7 days            ≥12yo: 5 days</p> <p><b>Uncomplicated pyelonephritis**</b> (previously healthy)</p> <p>7-10 days</p> <p><b>Complicated pyelonephritis</b> (GU anomalies)</p> <p>Consult ID (10-14 days)</p>

\*Simple cystitis: Kids ≥2yo with lower urinary tract symptoms.

\*\*AAP UTI guidelines 2016 recommend duration 7-14 days for febrile UTI in 2mo-2yo. AAP BASiC recommends no more than 10 days.

## E. coli susceptibility

Abbreviations: AHH = Adventist Hinsdale Hospital, CDH = Central du Page, HH = Huntley Hospital (includes Woodstock and McHenry), LCH = Lurie

	<b>CDH 2020** (urine/blood)</b>	<b>HH 2020** (urine)</b>	<b>AHH 2020** (urine)</b>	<b>NCH 2019* (urine)</b>	<b>NLFH 2020** (urine)</b>	<b>LCH 2020* (urine)</b>
<b>Cefazolin</b>	92	82	86	98	81	72
<b>Ceftriaxone</b>	99	88	91	100	86	92
<b>TMP-SMX</b>	79	78	78	72	67	71
<b>Ciprofloxacin</b>	85	75	83	95	72	89
<b>Nitrofurantoin</b>	99 (urine only)	97	98	98	95	97

Children's Hospital, NCH = Northwest Community, NLFH = Lake Forest

\*pediatric antibiogram \*\*pediatric-adult antibiogram

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