




Antimicrobial Stewardship – The Joint Commission


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- I have no actual or potential conflict of interest in relation to this program or presentation.

Pretest Question #1

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- ▶ The Joint Commission’s “Speak Up: Antibiotics” campaign is aimed at _____.
 - ▶ a. hospital CEOs
 - ▶ b. patients and their advocates
 - ▶ c. physicians
 - ▶ d. pharmaceutical industry

Pretest Question #2

True or False?

- The Joint Commission's Antimicrobial Stewardship Standard is under development/approval for upcoming implementation.

The Current State

- Antibiotic-resistance represents a serious threat to public health and safety
- Misuse of antibiotics contributes to antibiotic-resistance
- CDC estimates 2 million illnesses and 23,000 deaths annually occur in the U.S. that are caused by antibiotic-resistant bacteria

Background

- September 2014: President Obama issued an Executive order on combating antibiotic resistance
- March 2015: release of 5-year National Action Plan for Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (CARB)
- June 2015: Joint Commission Joins White House Effort to Reduce Antibiotic Overuse

The Joint Commission

- ▶ Nation's oldest and largest standards-setting and accrediting body in health care
- ▶ Accredits and certifies over 21,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States
 - IL: 1,000+ accredited organizations/programs

The Joint Commission & Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Review and identify where new Standards are needed to promote appropriate, safe antibiotic use
- Working with key stakeholders
- Current Standards & National Patient Safety Goal (NPSG)

Current Standards & National Patient Safety Goal

- Leadership (LD)
- Infection Prevention and Control (IC)
- Medication Management (MM)
- Performance Improvement (PI)
- Preventing Multidrug-Resistant Organism Infections (NPSG)

The Joint Commission Status Update

- Conducted a field review survey on its proposed antimicrobial stewardship standard from November 18 through December 30, 2015
 - Hospitals
 - Critical Access Hospitals
 - Ambulatory Care
 - Office-Based Surgery
 - Nursing Care Centers (Long Term Care)

The Joint Commission Status Update

- Data from the settings thus far has indicated the following:
 - Scientific evidence supports the antimicrobial stewardship standard
 - The antimicrobial standard would contribute to patient safety
 - The ambulatory setting would support a phased-in approach of this standard

The Joint Commission Status Update

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- Antimicrobial Stewardship Standard approved in May 2016
 - To be published in *Perspectives* in July, 2016
 - Implementation January 1, 2017

Educational Efforts



- JCR Quality + Safety Network

- “Infection Control: Reducing Antibiotic Overuse”


- info@JCRQSN.com


- Speak Up Campaign: Antibiotics

- Speak Up: Antibiotics – Know the Facts*

- https://www.jointcommission.org/topics/speakup_antibiotics.aspx

Post-test Question #1

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Answer to Question #1: B. *Speak Up* is a Joint Commission Patient Safety Program targeted to patients and their advocates

Speak up if you have questions or concerns.

Pay attention to the care you get.

Educate yourself about your illness.

Ask a trusted family member or friend to be your advocate (advisor or supporter).

Know what medicines you take and why you take them.

Use a health care organization that has been carefully checked out.


Participate in all decisions about your treatment.

Post-test Question #2

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Answer to Question #2: TRUE.



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QUESTIONS

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