

Do “Antibiotic Time Outs” Work?

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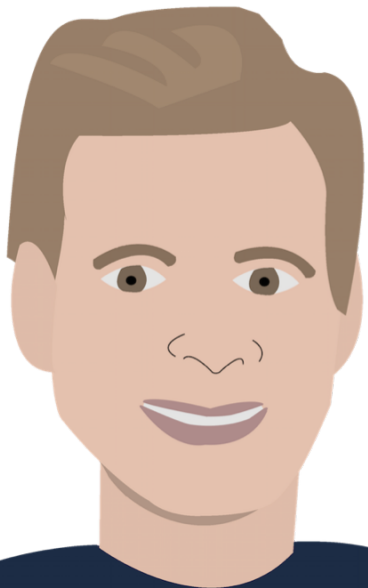
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Question...

Do Antibiotic Time Outs
Work?

A. Yes!

B. No!

C. I'm Not Sure... What's an
Antibiotic Time Out?



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13. Radio Call & Altimeter—SET

15. RPM 2200—PILOT'S SIGNAL

APPROVED B-17F and G CHECKLIST

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PILOT'S DUTIES IN RED

COPILOT'S DUTIES IN BLACK

BEFORE STARTING

1. Pilot's Preflight—**COMPLETE**
2. Form 1A—**CHECKED**
3. Controls and Seats—**CHECKED**
4. Fuel Transfer Valves & Switch—**OFF**
5. Intercoolers—Cold
6. Gyros—**UNCAGED**
7. Fuel Shut-off Switches—**OPEN**
8. Gear Switch—**NEUTRAL**
9. Cowl Flaps—Open Right—**OPEN LEFT**—Locked
10. Turbos—**OFF**
11. Idle cut-off—**CHECKED**
12. Throttles—**CLOSED**
13. High RPM—**CHECKED**
14. Autopilot—**OFF**
15. De-icers and Anti-icers, Wing and Prop—**OFF**
16. Cabin Heat—**OFF**
17. Generators—**OFF**

STARTING ENGINES

1. Fire Guard and Call Clear—**LEFT** Right
2. Master Switch—**ON**
3. Battery switches and inverters—**ON & CHECKED**
4. Parking Brakes—Hydraulic Check—**On-CHECKED**
5. Booster Pumps—Pressure—**ON & CHECKED**
6. Carburetor Filters—Open
7. Fuel Quantity—Gallons per tank
8. Start Engines: both magnetos on after one revolution
9. Flight Indicator & Vacuum Pressures **CHECKED**
10. Radio—On
11. Check Instruments—**CHECKED**
12. Crew Report
13. Radio Call & Altimeter—**SET**

ENGINE RUN-UP

1. Brakes—Locked
2. Trim Tabs—**SET**
3. Exercise Turbos and Props
4. Check Generators—**CHECKED & OFF**
5. Run up Engines

BEFORE TAKEOFF

1. Tailwheel—Locked
2. Gyro—Set
3. Generators—**ON**

AFTER TAKEOFF

1. Wheel—**PILOT'S SIGNAL**
2. Power Reduction
3. Cowl Flaps
4. Wheel Check—OK right—**OK LEFT**

BEFORE LANDING

1. Radio Call, Altimeter—**SET**
2. Crew Positions—OK
3. Autopilot—**OFF**
4. Booster Pumps—On
5. Mixture Controls—**AUTO-RICH**
6. Intercooler—Set
7. Carburetor Filters—Open
8. Wing De-icers—Off
9. Landing Gear
 - a. Visual—Down Right—**DOWN LEFT**
Tailwheel Down, Antenna in, Ball Turret Checked
 - b. Light—**OK**
 - c. Switch Off—Neutral
10. Hydraulic Pressure—**OK** Valve closed
11. RPM 2100—Set
12. Turbos—Set
13. Flaps $\frac{1}{2}$ — $\frac{1}{2}$ Down

FINAL APPROACH

14. Flaps—**PILOT'S SIGNAL**
15. RPM 2200—**PILOT'S SIGNAL**



BY THE BOOK....





THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

THE CHECKLIST MANIFESTO

HOW TO GET THINGS RIGHT



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SPECIAL ARTICLE

A Surgical Safety Checklist to Reduce Morbidity and Mortality in a Global Population

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Table 1. Elements of the Surgical Safety Checklist.*

Sign in			
Before induction of anesthesia, members of the team (at least the nurse and an anesthesia professional) orally confirm that:			
The patient has verified his or her identity, the surgical site and procedure, and consent			
The surgical site is marked or site marking is not applicable			
The pulse oximeter is on the patient and functioning			
All members of the team are aware of whether the patient has a known allergy			
The patient's airway and risk of aspiration have been evaluated and appropriate equipment and assistance are available			
If there is a risk of blood loss of at least 500 ml (or 7 ml/kg of body weight, in children), appropriate access and fluids are available			
Time out			
Before skin incision, the entire team (nurses, surgeons, anesthesia professionals, and any others participating in the care of the patient) orally:			
Confirms that all team members have been introduced by name and role			
Confirms the patient's identity, surgical site, and procedure			
Reviews the anticipated critical events			
Surgeon reviews critical and unexpected steps, operative duration, and anticipated blood loss			
Anesthesia staff review concerns specific to the patient			
Nursing staff review confirmation of sterility, equipment availability, and other concerns			
Confirms that prophylactic antibiotics have been administered ≤60 min before incision is made or that antibiotics are not indicated			
Confirms that all essential imaging results for the correct patient are displayed in the operating room			
Sign out			
Before the patient leaves the operating room:			
Nurse reviews items aloud with the team			
Name of the procedure as recorded			
That the needle, sponge, and instrument count are correct			
That the specimen (if any) is correctly labeled, stored, and disposed			
Whether there are any issues with equipment that need to be addressed			
The surgeon, nurse, and anesthesia professional review the patient's progress and plan for the remainder of the case			

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ne Safe Surgery Saves Lives

	Pre	Post	P value
Mortality	1.5%	0.8%	0.003
Complications	11%	7%	<0.001

* The checklist is based on the first edition of the WHO Guidelines for Safe Surgery.¹⁵ For the complete checklist, see the Supplementary Appendix.

THE CHECKLIST MANIFESTO HOW TO GET THINGS RIGHT · ATUL GAWANDE

Challenges

Faulty memory and attention

1. ✓
2. ✓
3. ✓
→ Skipping steps

Simple → Complicated → Complex

How are Skyscrapers built?

theory + practice + aesthetics
solve for x materials design

Master builder → specialists with checklists

Communication tasks

Who had to talk to whom, by which date, about what



The biggest cause of serious error in this business is a failure of communication.

Decentralize



Checklists everywhere

Van Halen, no brown M&Ms
Restaurants
Investing

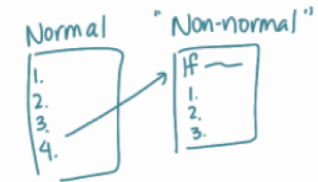
Checklists

Reminders

Verification

Interventions

✓ simple
→ measurable
↑ transmissible benefits/ROI



Good checklists:

precise, efficient, short, easy to use, practical
5-9 items, one page

Do-Confirm vs Read-Do

Do-Confirm: then confirm
Read-Do: 1. ✓, 2. ✓, 3. ✓

Test in the real world!

Antibiotic?

Cleared for Takeoff

nurse's responsibility

scalpel

Checklists don't have to be comprehensive. Focus on the critical steps.

Surgery's big killers

1. infection
2. bleeding
3. unsafe anesthesia
4. the unexpected

checklists

Getting the word out
• simple
• usable
• systematic

Stop and talk through it

Team huddle

Pause points

Professional: selfless, skilled, trustworthy, disciplined

That's not my problem

Not just ticking boxes. Embracing a culture of TEAMWORK and DISCIPLINE.

Daring vs Disciplined

checklists get the dumb stuff out of the way

Types: Art critic, Sponge, Prosecutor, Sutor, Terminator, airline captain

ATO: What Is It?



“Pause for Safety”

Structured moment to consider the antibiotic plan

- **Right diagnosis?**
- **Right drug?**
- **Right dose / route / interval?**
- **Right duration?**

ATO: What Is It?



“Pause for Safety”

Structured moment to consider the antibiotic plan

- **Stop...**
- **Think...**
- **Discuss...**
- **Document.**

Checklists: *Simple is Best*

Checklist Manifesto

Last Update: 2015-07-04

@remouherek 2015

Keep it simple, to the point, practical

Wording simple, exact

1 page, free from clutter

Sans-serif eg Helvetica to improve readability

Large font size

5-9 items max (killer items only)

Do-confirm checklist =
do from memory, use checklist to check afterwards

Read-do checklist =
to be read and performed simultaneously)

TEST in real-life, then improve

Checklists are NOT comprehensive how-to guides. If something is never omitted, remove it from the checklist!

Check WHO safety checklist and Boeing checklists for inspiration

A checklist is only an AID. If it does not aid, it's not right.



New Antimicrobial Stewardship Standard

APPLICABLE TO HOSPITALS AND CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS

Effective January 1, 2017

Medication Management (MM)

Standard MM.09.01.01

The [critical access] hospital has an antimicrobial stewardship program based on current scientific literature.

Elements of Performance for MM.09.01.01

1. Leaders establish antimicrobial stewardship as an organizational priority. (See also LD.01.03.01, EP 5)

Note: *Examples of leadership commitment to an antimicrobial stewardship program are as follows:*

- *Accountability documents*
- *Budget plans*

- *Infection prevention plans*
- *Performance improvement plans*
- *Strategic plans*
- *Using the electronic health record to collect antimicrobial stewardship data*

2. The [critical access] hospital educates staff and licensed independent practitioners involved in antimicrobial ordering, dispensing, administration, and monitoring about antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial stewardship practices. Education occurs upon hire or granting of initial privileges and periodically thereafter, based on organizational need.
3. The [critical access] hospital educates patients, and their families as needed, regarding the appropriate use of antimicrobial medications, including antibiotics. (For more information on patient education, refer to Stan-

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New Antimicrobial Stewardship Standard (continued)

dard PC.02.03.01)

Note: An example of an educational tool that can be used for patients and families includes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Get Smart document, "Viruses or Bacteria—What's got you sick?" at <http://www.cdc.gov/getsmart/community/downloads/getsmart-chart.pdf>.

4. The [critical access] hospital has an antimicrobial stewardship multidisciplinary team that includes the following members, when available in the setting:

- Infectious disease physician
- Infection preventionist(s)
- Pharmacist(s)
- Practitioner

Note 1: Part-time or consultant staff are acceptable as members of the antimicrobial stewardship multidisciplinary team.

Note 2: Telehealth staff are acceptable as members of the antimicrobial stewardship multidisciplinary team.

5. © The [critical access] hospital's antimicrobial stewardship program includes the following core elements:

- Leadership commitment: Dedicating necessary human, financial, and information technology resources.
- Accountability: Appointing a single leader respon-

The Joint Commission recommends that organizations use this document when designing their antimicrobial stewardship program.

6. © The [critical access] hospital's antimicrobial stewardship program uses organization-approved multidisciplinary protocols (for example, policies and procedures).

Note: Examples of protocols are as follows:

- Antibiotic Formulary Restrictions
- Assessment of Appropriateness of Antibiotics for Community-Acquired Pneumonia
- Assessment of Appropriateness of Antibiotics for Skin and Soft Tissue Infections
- Assessment of Appropriateness of Antibiotics for Urinary Tract Infections
- Care of the Patient with *Clostridium difficile* (c.-diff)
- Guidelines for Antimicrobial Use in Adults
- Guidelines for Antimicrobial Use in Pediatrics
- Plan for Parenteral to Oral Antibiotic Conversion
- Preauthorization Requirements for Specific Antimicrobials
- Use of Prophylactic Antibiotics

7. © The [critical access] hospital collects, analyzes, and reports data on its antimicrobial stewardship program.

Note: Examples of topics to collect and analyze data on may include evaluation of the antimicrobial steward-

- **Action:** Implementing recommended actions, such as systemic evaluation of ongoing treatment need, after a set period of initial treatment (for example, "antibiotic time out" after 48 hours).

- ▼ Education: Educating practitioners, staff, and patients on the antimicrobial program, which may include information about resistance and optimal prescribing. (See also IC.02.01.01, EP 1 and NPSG.07.03.01, EP 5)

Note: These core elements were cited from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Core Elements of Hospital Antibiotic Stewardship Programs (<http://www.cdc.gov/getsmart/healthcare/pdfs/core-elements.pdf>).

Elements of Performance for MM.09.01.01

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Note: Examples of leadership commitment to an antimicrobial stewardship program are as follows:

- Accountability documents

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Original Article

Taking an Antibiotic Time-out: Utilization and Usability of a Self-Stewardship Time-out Program for Renewal of Vancomycin and Piperacillin-Tazobactam

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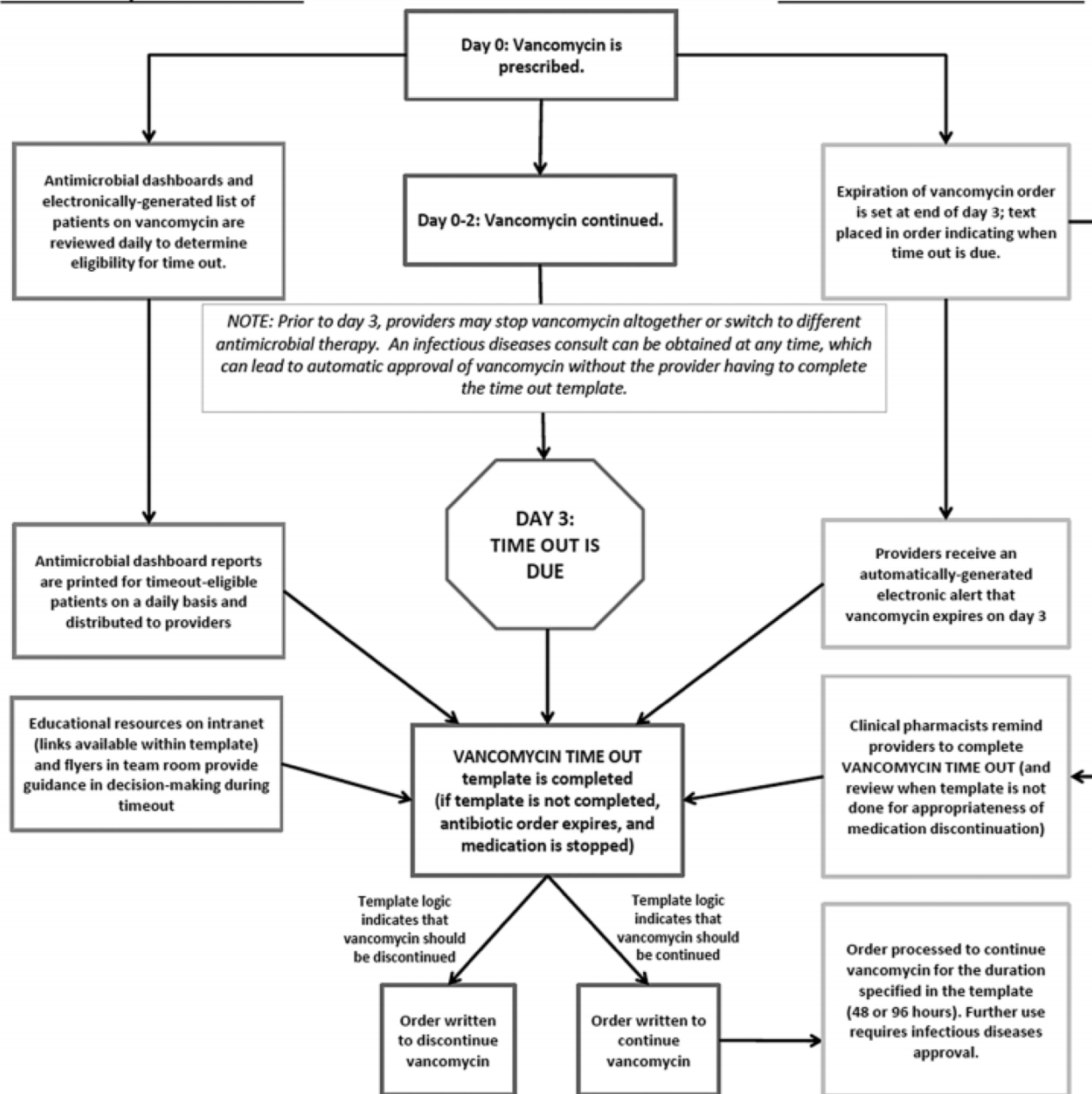


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Stewardship Team Actions

Provider Actions

Clinical Pharmacist Actions



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Figure 1. Antibiotic time-out workflow schematic. Vancomycin is used as an example; piperacillin-tazobactam time-out workflow is identical.

Table 2. Review of appropriateness of antibiotic continuation

	Before time-out	Time-out	P
<i>Vancomycin</i>			
Antibiotic courses eligible for renewal	199	145	
Inappropriate continuations	0 (0%)	7 (5%)	.002
Courses discontinued (through day 5)	96 (48%)	93 (64%)	.004
<i>Piperacillin-tazobactam</i>			
Antibiotic courses eligible for renewal	93	105	
Inappropriate continuations	2 (2%)	9 (9%)	.06
Courses discontinued (through day 5)	58 (62%)	70 (67%)	.55



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UW Plan: *In Process*



1. An electronic alert will trigger 48 hrs after starting antibiotics.

Happen within existing team mgmt system (“CORES”)

Issues for My Service

My Service Main Issue

Issues (Srv) 12/26 15:54

recurrent aspiration PNA
OMII
FTN
:SRD- on HD
severe GERD
anemia of chronic disease

Allergies (Srv) (Active and Proposed)

codeine, morphine, amitriptyline, ibuprofen, Renvela, Zosyn

Allergy Addendum

Meds (Team)

☒ Scheduled: (Selected Visit) Notes Abx

☒ acetaminophen: 500 mg = 1 tab PO Q6 Hours

☒ aspirin: 81 mg = 1 tab PO Daily

☒ Lipitor: 80 mg = 1 tab PO QPM

☒ Dialysis Information: Check PRNs MISC Q12 Hours

☒ ertapenem: 0.5 g IVPB Q24 Hours

☒ insulin LISPRO: BEDTIME LOW Correction Subcuta...

☒ insulin LISPRO: LOW Correction-Premeal Subcuta...

☒ DuoNeb 0.5 mg-2.5 mg/3 mL inhalation solution: ...

☒ lidocaine 4% topical film: 1 patch Transdermal Daily

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☒ lidocaine topical patch REMOVAL: 1 each REMOVE ...

DVT Prophylaxis

Diet

Med Addendum (Administered) (Srv)

Abx Addendum (Notes) (Srv)

UW Plan: *In Process*

2. On rounds, a team member responds by saying “We are due for a 48-hour antibiotic time out. Is the current coverage appropriate?” The situation is discussed.



UW Plan: *In Process*



3. The team's decision is then recorded in the daily progress note using a "dotphrase"

48 Hour Antimicrobial Time Out: This patient's clinical status was reviewed, and we have decided the following:

☐ Antimicrobials no longer indicated, they will be discontinued now.

☐ Antimicrobials indicated as currently written, plan to stop on:

☐ Antimicrobials changed as follows, including planned stop date:

Conclusions

ATO worth considering

- ✓ Cheap
- ✓ Relatively low activation energy
- ✓ Evidence-base growing
- ✓ Meets TJC expectations...
- ✓ Multiple models...
- ✓ Your needs may differ
- ✓ What do you think?



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