

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANT INFECTIONS

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have issued recommendations to guide hospitals in preventing and controlling infections that aren't easily stopped by antibiotics. Examples of these types of infections include MRSA (methicillin-resistant staph aureus) and VRE (vancomycin-resistant enterococci). For more information about these recommendations, click on: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/pdf/ar/mdroGuideline2006.pdf>

How to read the tables: Section 1: The results are shown as a ratio of the number of recommendations that the hospital reports that it follows, compared to the total number of recommendations in each area. "QI" means that the hospital has initiated a quality improvement project to address recommendations that have not been implemented. **Section 2:** The results are shown as "Yes" or "No," indicating that there is evidence that the hospital is or is not prepared to implement more intensive recommendations, if warranted.

Section 1: Hospital implementation of routine recommendations							Section 2:
Hospital Name	Administrative leadership <i>(7 recommendations)</i>	Staff education and training <i>(1 recommendations)</i>	Appropriate antibiotic use <i>(3 recommendations)</i>	Surveillance methods <i>(9 recommendations)</i>	Infection control precautions <i>(5 recommendations)</i>	Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces and equipment <i>(3 recommendations)</i>	Policies and methods are in place to implement more intensive recommendations
Brattleboro Memorial Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
Central Vermont Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
Copley Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	7/8 ²	5/5	3/3	Yes
Fletcher Allen Health Care	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	6/6 ¹	3/3	Yes
Gifford Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	5/8 ²	5/5	3/3	No
Grace Cottage Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/8 ²	5/5	3/3	Yes
Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	9/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
North Country Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	7/9	5/5	3/3	Yes

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Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	9/9	6/6	3/3	Yes
Northwestern Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/8 ²	5/5	3/3	Yes
Porter Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
Rutland Regional Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
Southwestern Vermont Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	9/9	6/6 ¹	3/3	Yes
Springfield Hospital	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	5/5	3/3	Yes
Veterans Administration Medical Center	7/7	1/1	3/3	8/9	6/6 ¹	3/3	Yes

1 There is a sixth recommendation for hospitals that own and operate a hemodialysis unit. In Vermont, that recommendation applies only to Fletcher Allen Health Care and Southwestern Vermont Medical Center. However, both Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital have indicated that they are caring for hemodialysis patients and following the recommended protocol.

2 One of the nine surveillance recommendations does not apply to this hospital. The recommendation applies only to hospitals with special care units, and this hospital does not have a special care unit.