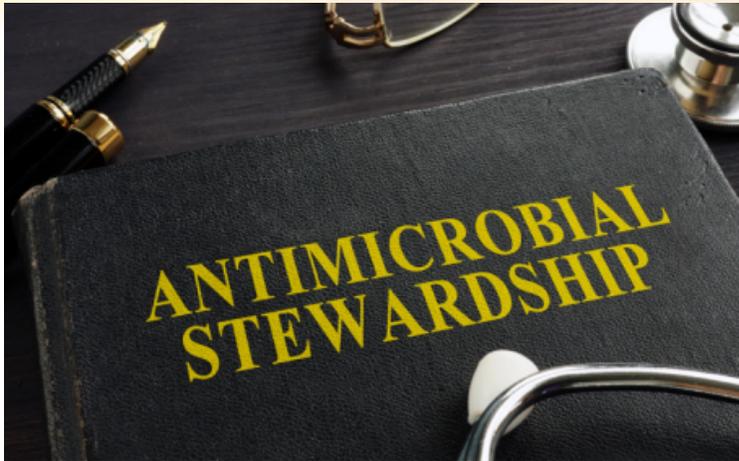




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Antimicrobial Stewardship: Improving Transplant Outcomes and the Patient Experience

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Objectives

- Define antimicrobial stewardship and discuss the need for antimicrobial stewardship in solid organ transplant programs
- Describe the infrastructure of solid organ transplant-centered antimicrobial stewardship programs
- Describe components of an effective solid organ transplant-centered antimicrobial stewardship program



Question

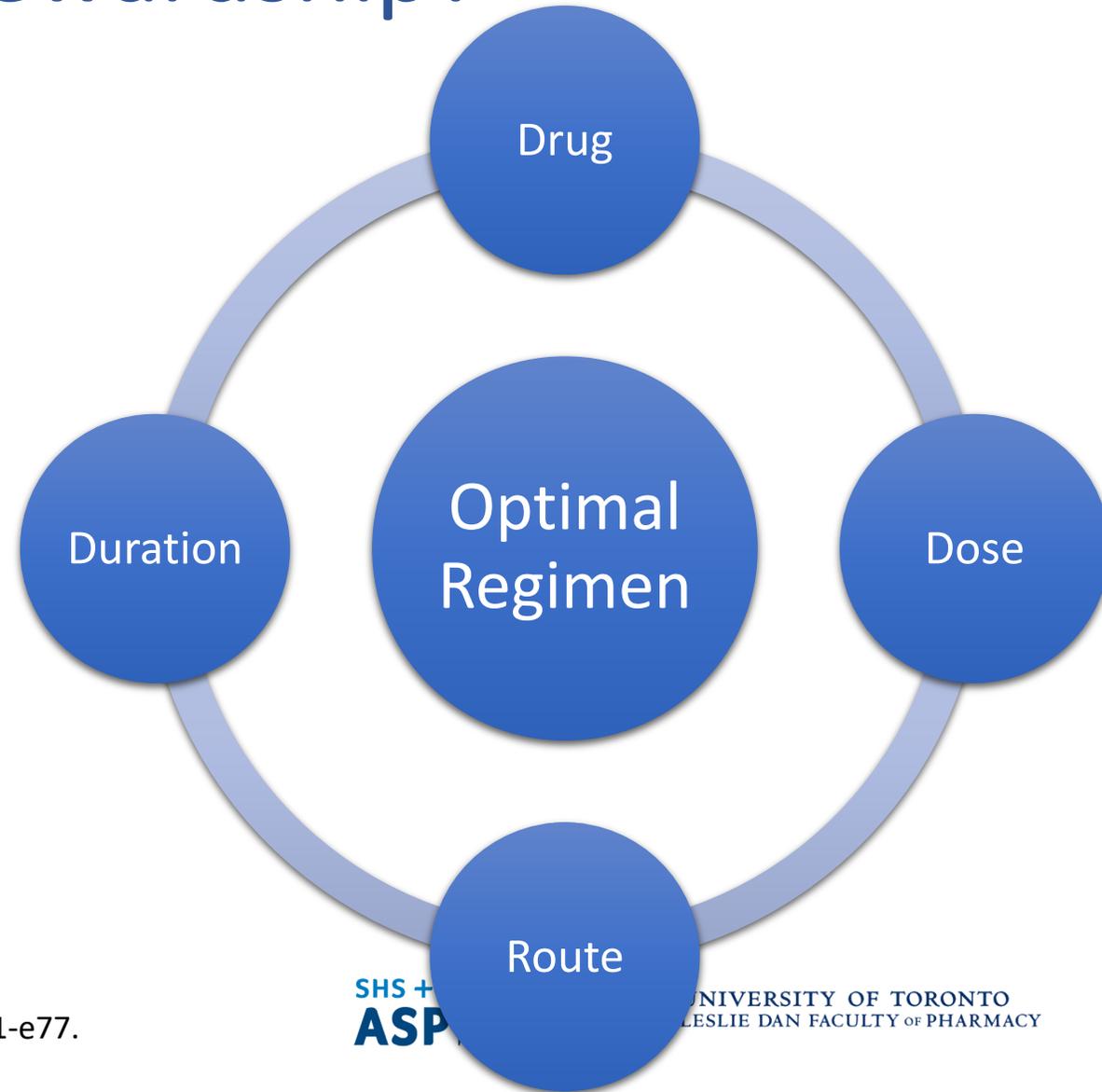
The primary goal of antimicrobial stewardship programs (ASPs) is to:

- A. Decrease costs
- B. Decrease antimicrobial use
- C. Increase antimicrobial appropriateness
- D. Improve patient safety and outcomes



What is Antimicrobial Stewardship?

“*Coordinated* interventions designed to *improve* and *measure* the appropriate use of antibiotic agents by promoting the selection of the optimal drug regimen”



Benefits of Antimicrobial Stewardship

Minimize Adverse Events

- *C. difficile* infection
- Colonization and infection with multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs)
- Adverse drug events

Improve antibiotic susceptibilities



Improved Patient Outcomes



Need for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Solid Organ Transplantation

Case for Bespoke Solid Organ Transplant (SOT) Stewardship

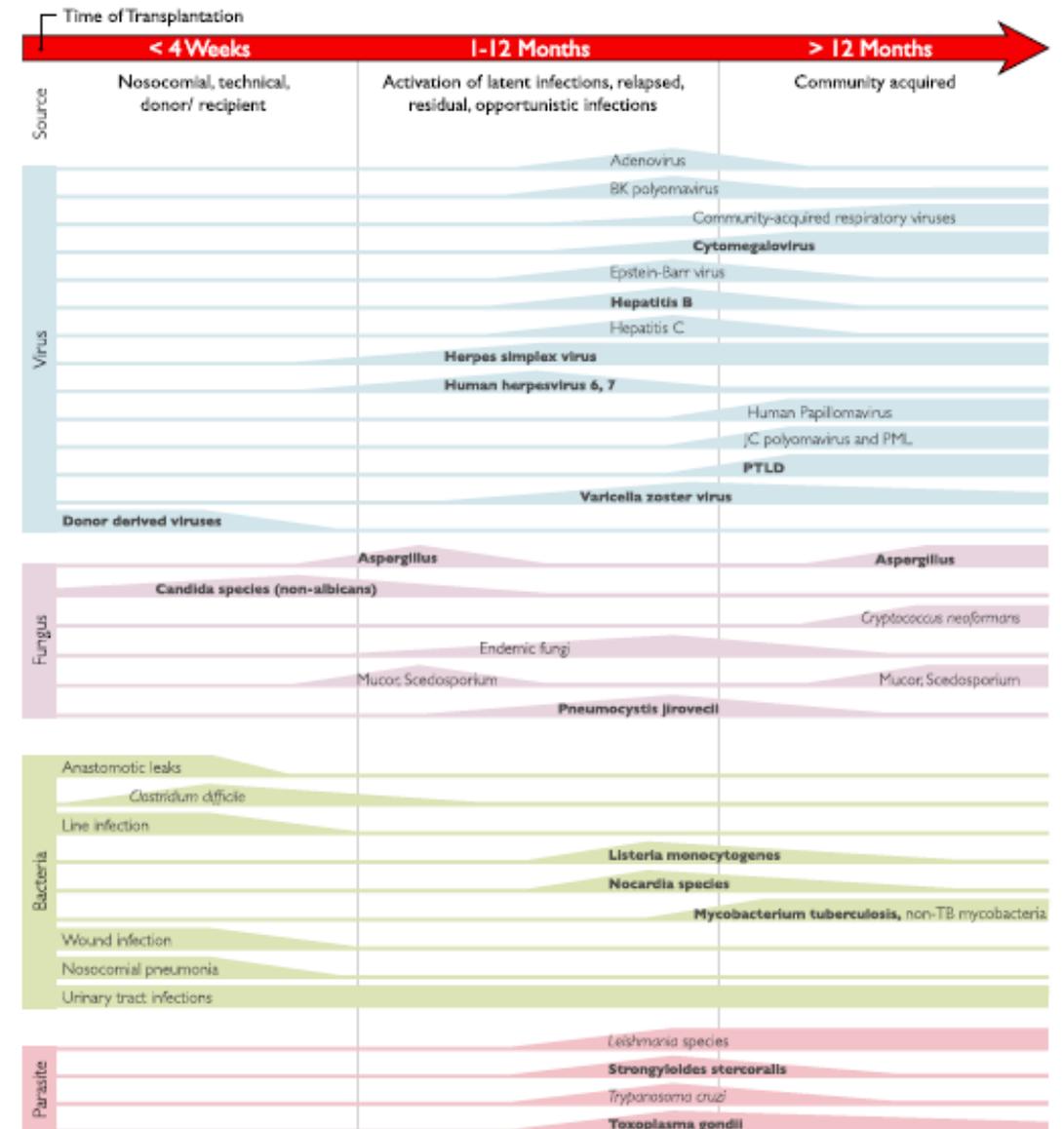
Risk of infection is

- Dynamic
- Impacted by organ transplanted
 - Liver and lung transplant candidates may be colonized with MDROs prior to transplant

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Bert F et al. *Transpl Infect Dis*. 2014;16:84-89.

Hadjiliadis D et al. *J Heart Lung Transplant* 2007; 26: 834-8.



Antibiotic Use and MDROs

- Antibiotic use drives antimicrobial resistance
- Odds of developing a MDRO in an antibiotic exposed patient is 1.8-5.1 times that of patients not receiving an antibiotic
- Nearly 50% of hospitalized patients and 75% of critically ill patients receive an antibiotic during their hospitalization
 - 50% of these are considered inappropriate



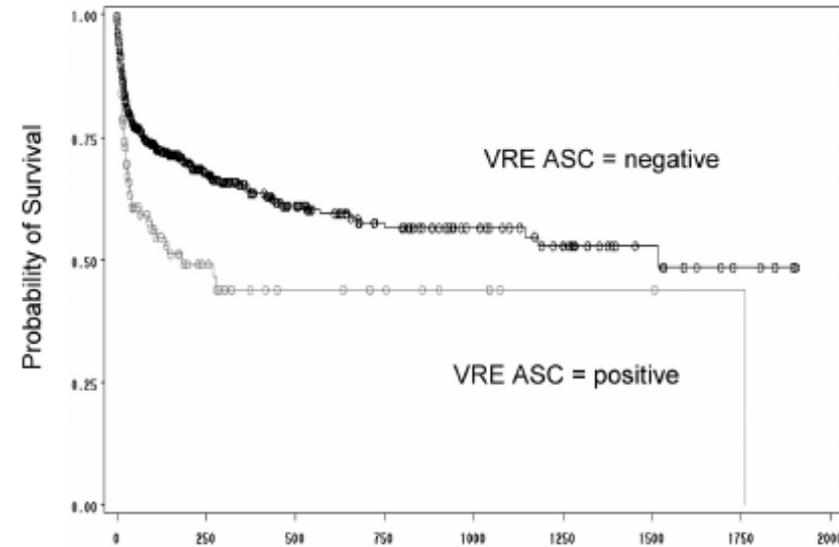
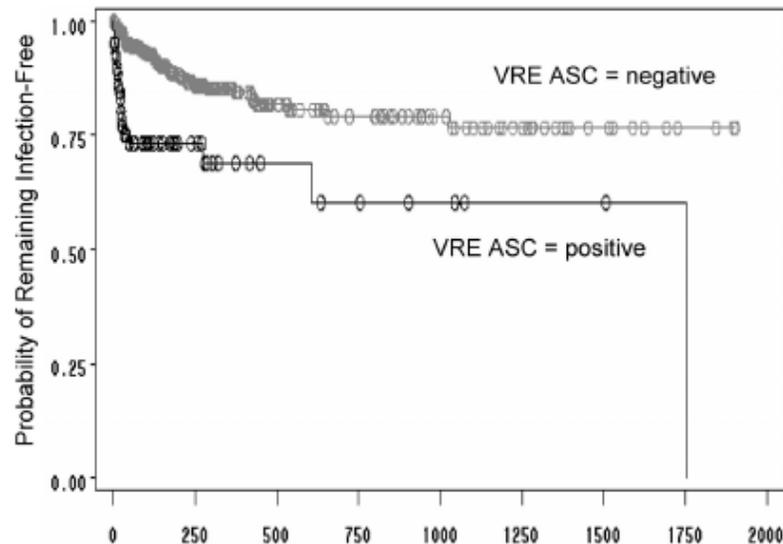
MDROs and SOT

- Major threat to patient and graft survival
- Poor functional status, prolonged hospitalization, and use of broad-spectrum antimicrobials increase risk of MDRO acquisition
 - *Enterococcus faecium*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Enterobacter* spp.
- Management of MDROs in SOT recipients complicated by
 - Drug-drug interactions
 - Limited antimicrobial pipeline



Vancomycin-Resistant *Enterococcus* (VRE) in SOT

- High prevalence of VRE in liver transplant recipients
- Colonization associated with infection

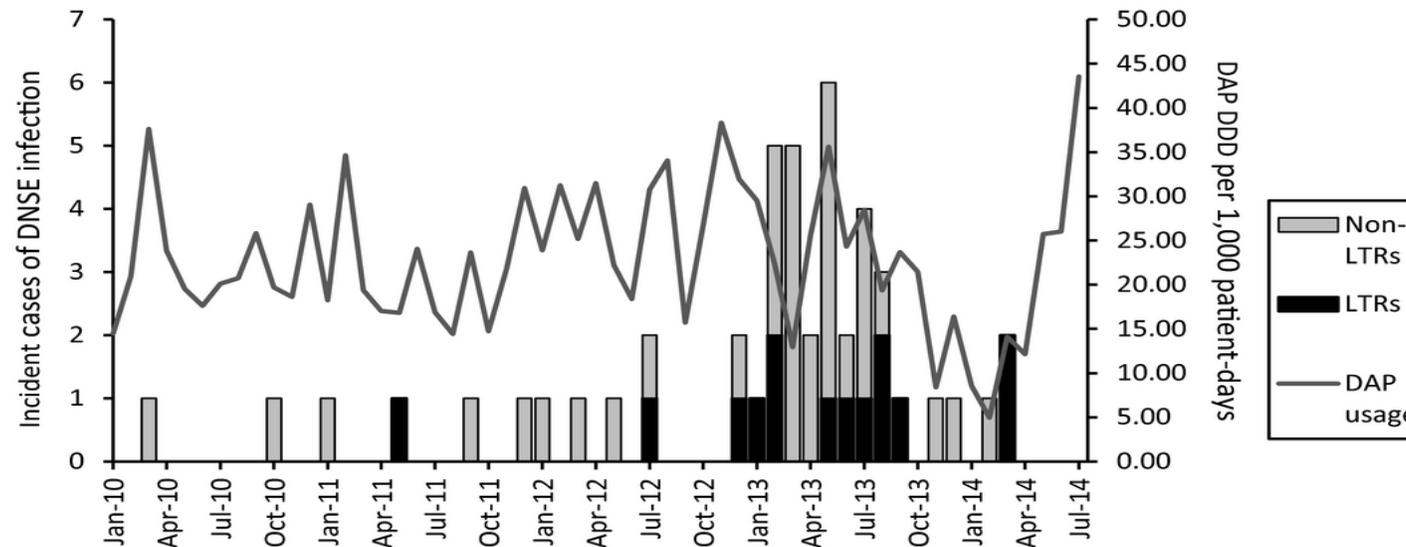


- VRE bacteremia associated with decreased 1-year survival after liver transplant (57.1% vs 75%) and 32% 30-day mortality



Daptomycin-Non-Susceptible Enterococci (DNSE) in Liver Transplantation

- Single-center retrospective review of DNSE in liver transplant recipients



- Retrospective multicenter study of bacteremic liver transplant recipients
 - Previous daptomycin use associated with DNSE bacteremia ($p=0.04$)
 - DNSE bacteremia associated with death-censored allograft failure ($p=0.008$)



Carbapenem-Resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE) in SOT

Reference	Geographic Location	Incidence of Post-Transplant CRE Infection	Median Time from Transplant to CRE Infection	Type of Infection ^a	Mortality Rate
<i>Heart Transplants</i> 20	Brazil	16.7% (2/12)	90 days	Bacteremia: 50% Pneumonia: 50%	50% (30-day)
<i>Lung Transplants</i> 21b 22	Pittsburgh Israel	0.4% (2/546) 5.9% (8/136)	218 days 27 days	Bacteremia: 100% Pneumonia: 38% UTI: 25% Bacteremia: 25%	0% (30-day) 88% (overall)
<i>Liver Transplants</i> 20 21b 23	Brazil Pittsburgh New York City	12.9% (4/31) 1.3% (8/610) 8% (14/175)	16 days 24 days 12 days	Bacteremia: 100% Pneumonia: 25% Bacteremia: 100% Pneumonia: 50% Bacteremia: 86% Peritonitis: 79%	25% (30-day) 25% (30-day) 71% (overall) 50% (30-day)
31b 24 95	Greece New York City Italy	NR (17 cases) 6.6% (20/304) 8.4% (20/237)	13 days 11 days 42 days	Bacteremia: 100% SSI/intra-abdominal: 65% Bacteremia: 55% Bacteremia: 90% Pneumonia: 30%	82% (ICU mortality) 45% (overall) 45% (180-day)
<i>Kidney Transplants</i> 25 20 26 27c 28 30	Brazil Brazil Argentina New York City New York City Italy	1.9% (21/1101) 26.3% (5/19) 13.3% (6/45) 1.1% (20/1852) 2.5% (13/522) NR (8 episodes)	49 days 17 days 36 days 47 days 185 days NR	SSI: 48% Bacteremia: 39% UTI: 60% Bacteremia: 60% UTI: 83% Bacteremia: 17% Bacteriuria: 100% UTI: 69% Bacteremia: 38% UTI: 100% Bacteremia: 100%	42% (30-day) 60% (30-day) 33% (overall) 30% (overall) 46% (overall) 0% (30-day)
<i>Intestinal Transplants</i> 21b	Pittsburgh	5.4% (6/112)	209 days	Bacteremia: 100%	33% (30-day)



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Antibiotic Exposure and CRE

TABLE 2 Antibiotic exposure as a risk factor for acquisition of CRE, based on multivariable analysis^c

Associated risk factor	Frequency	RE	RE range	No. of cases (range)	Study reference(s)
Carbapenem use	25	OR	1.83–29.17	9–100	12, 13, 16, 19, 22, 32, 36–48, ^d 49–53
Carbapenem use	1	HR	2.68	19	22
Cephalosporin use	15	OR	2.24–49.56	15–100	11, 12, 13, 19, 33, 38, 46, 48, ^d 52, 54–57, 58
Quinolone use	9	OR	1.18–28.9	18–88	33, 36, 43, 52, 59–63
Antibiotic exposure (in general) ^{a,b}	9	OR	1.66–13.37	26–464	41, 43, 61, 64–69
Other β -lactam use	9	OR	1.08–11.71	34–464	49, 52, 57, 60, 65, 70–73
Other ^a	7	OR	1.02–33	25–103	44, 47, 52, 58, 72, 74, 75
Glycopeptide use	5	OR	2.94–43.84	20–203	11, 16, 47, 73, 76
No. of antibiotics administered ^{a,b}	3	OR	1.6–12.60	59–164	39, 50, 77
Duration of exposure ^{a,b}	3	OR	1.04–9.8	25–104	74, 78, 79

^a This category was not included in a random-effects meta-analysis.

^b Exposure to any antibiotic.

^c Abbreviations: CRE, carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae*; RE, risk estimate; OR, odds ratio; HR, hazard ratio.

^d This risk factor was identified two times in the study of Orsi et al. (48).



Resistance Not Limited to Bacteria...

Ganciclovir-Resistant Cytomegalovirus Infection in Abdominal Solid Organ Transplant Recipients: Case Series and Review of the Literature

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Emergence of *Aspergillus calidoustus* Infection in the Era of Posttransplantation Azole Prophylaxis

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Association Between *C. difficile* and Graft Loss

	Mortality analysis		Graft loss analysis	
	Univariate HR [95% CI] P-value	Multivariable HR [95% CI] P-value	Univariate HR [95% CI] P-value	Multivariable HR [95% CI] P-value
Clostridium infection (CDI)	2.31 [1.33, 3.99] 0.003	1.63 [0.94, 2.83] 0.085	3.72 [1.92, 7.20] <0.001	2.24 [1.15, 4.37] 0.02
Surgical complications			11.99 [7.71, 18.64] <0.001	7.22 [4.53, 11.50] <0.001
Medical problems			3.54 [2.01, 6.23] <0.001	2.35 [1.33, 4.15] 0.003
Rejection			10.58 [6.67, 16.77] <0.001	7.56 [4.70, 12.18] <0.001



C. difficile Associated with Worse Outcomes in SOT Recipients

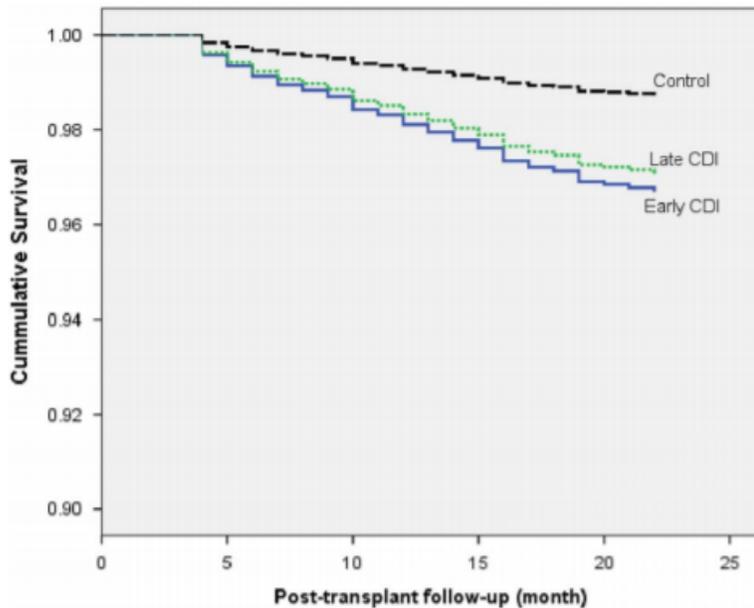


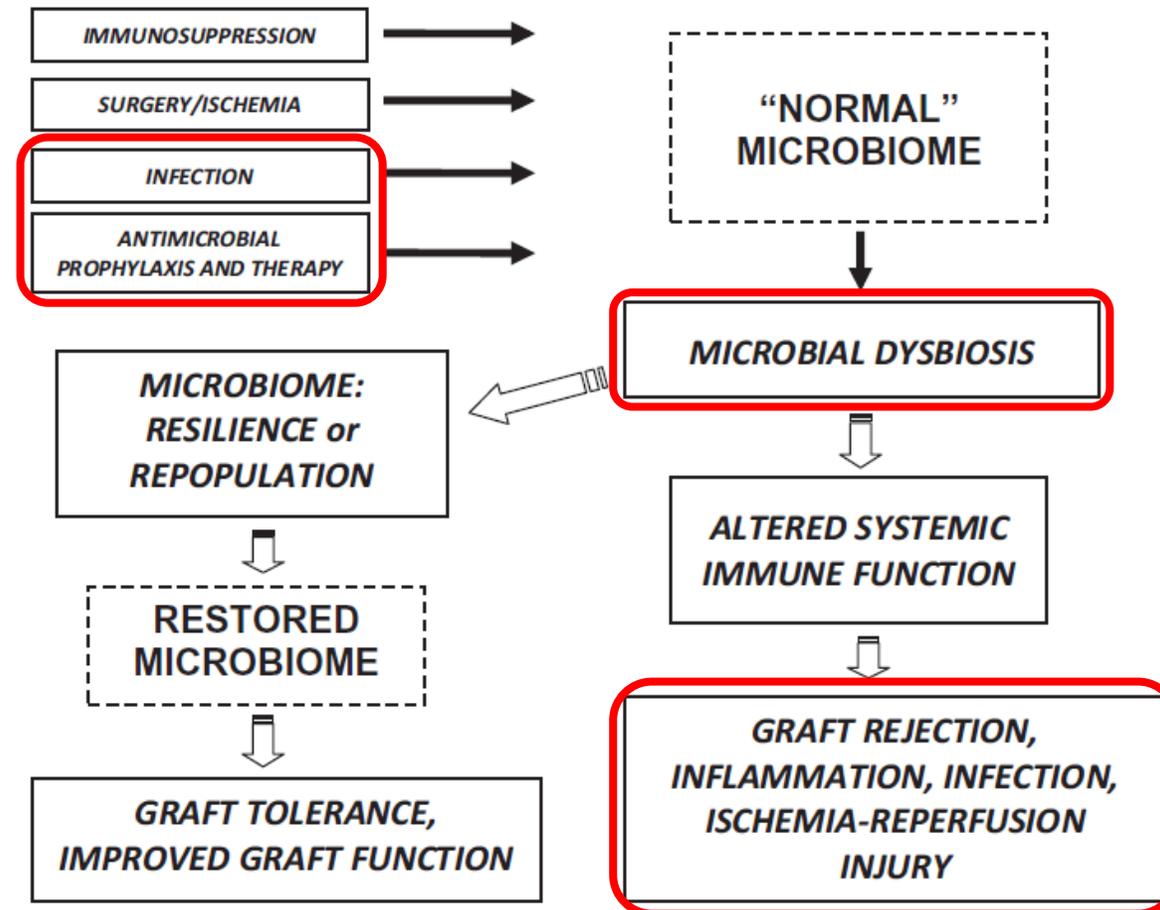
FIGURE 3. Survival curves of solid organ transplant recipients surviving posttransplant >90 days in early *Clostridium difficile* infection (CDI), late CDI, and control group by Cox regression.

TABLE 4. Impact of *Clostridium difficile* infection (CDI) on Mortality and Transplant Organ Complication-Related Hospitalization (TOH) in Solid Organ Transplant (SOT) Recipients Surviving >90 Days Posttransplant

Characteristic	Risk for Death ^a		Risk for TOH ^b	
	HR (95% CI)	P Value	OR (95% CI)	P Value
CDI occurrence	Reference: No CDI		Reference: No CDI	
Early CDI	2.64 (1.22–5.71)	.014	2.24 (1.46–3.45)	<.001
Late CDI	2.33 (1.02–5.33)	.045	4.17 (2.71–6.42)	<.001



Role of Antimicrobials in Dysbiosis



Letter to the Editor

Call for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Solid Organ Transplantation

- Stewardship decreases the inappropriate use of antimicrobials and limits the emergence of multidrug resistance
- While transplant recipients have likely derived some down-stream effect of ASP on a hospital-wide basis, stewardship had not been systematically studied in this population



Infrastructure of Antimicrobial Stewardship Program in Solid Organ Transplant Patients

What can we “borrow” and what can we “steal”?

Accrediting Organizations

The Joint Commission approved antimicrobial stewardship as a new standard in 2017 for hospitals, with the 2020 updates expanded to ambulatory care settings

R³ Report | Requirement, Rationale, Reference

Standard MM.09.01.03: Antimicrobial stewardship is identified as an organizational priority.

Requirement	EP 1: The organization identifies an individual(s) responsible for developing, implementing, and monitoring activities to promote appropriate antimicrobial medication prescribing practices.
Rationale	Antimicrobial resistance is growing, so improving the use of antimicrobial medications across the care continuum is a patient safety priority. Identifying an individual(s) to be accountable for an organization's antimicrobial stewardship activities increases the likelihood of success by establishing clear lines of accountability. Identifying an individual(s) for this role also demonstrates an organizational commitment to improving the use of antimicrobial medications. Antimicrobial stewardship activities may be the individual(s) primary job responsibility or may be in addition to other duties.



Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Omnibus Burden Reduction (Conditions of Participation) Final Rule CMS-3346-F

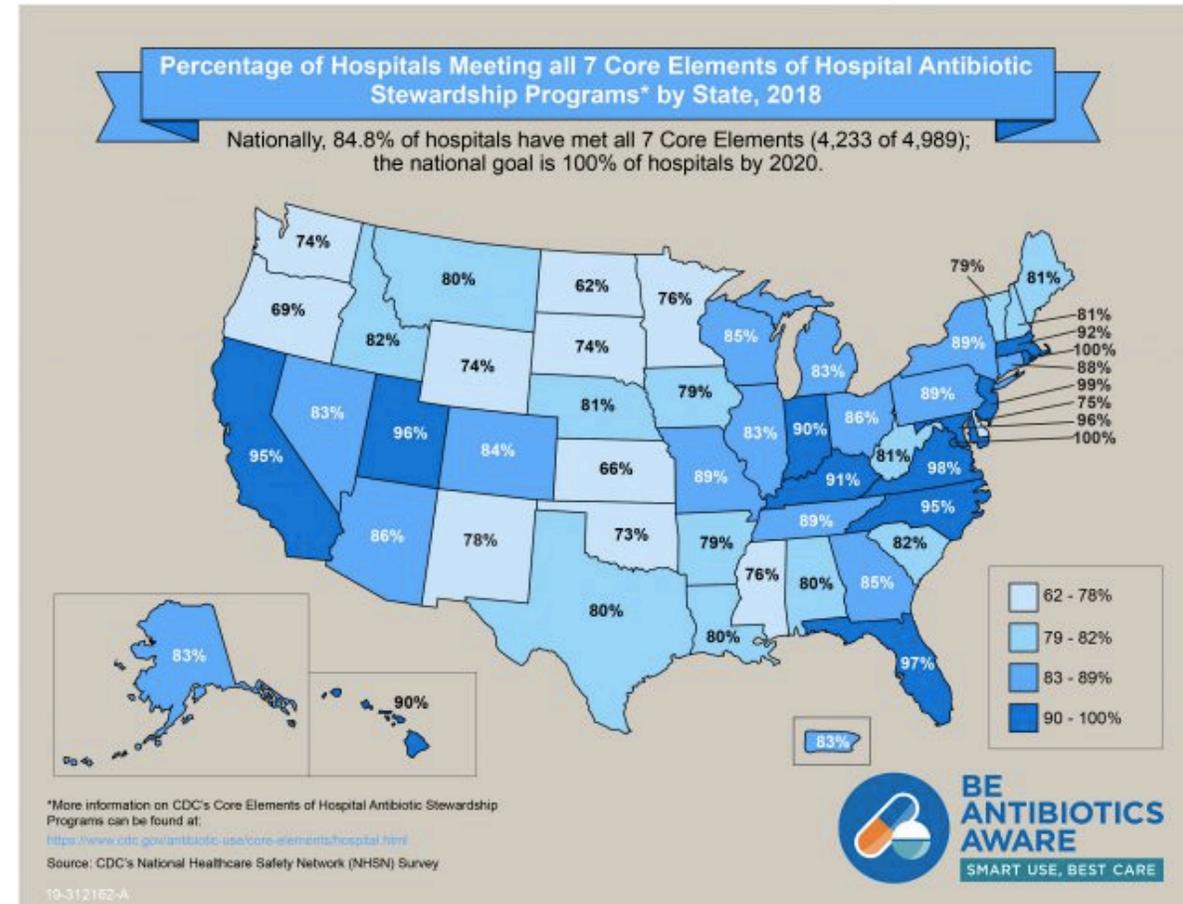
Sep 26, 2019 | Initiatives, Legislation, Physicians

- Requiring hospitals to establish and maintain antibiotic stewardship programs to help reduce inappropriate antibiotic use and antimicrobial resistance. By requiring that hospitals have antibiotic stewardship programs that are not only active and hospital-wide, but also demonstrate adherence to nationally recognized guidelines for the optimization of antibiotic use through stewardship, the changes are aimed at effectively reducing the development and transmission of HAIs and antibiotic-resistant organisms that ultimately will greatly improve the care and safety of patients while adding cost benefits for hospitals;
- Adding flexibility to the hospital CoPs by specifying that a unified and integrated infection prevention and control program may also include a unified and integrated antibiotic stewardship program for a multi-hospital system;



Centers for Disease Control Core Elements for Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs (2019)

1. Hospital leadership commitment
2. Accountability
3. Pharmacy expertise & leadership
4. Action, implementation of intervention (best practices)
5. Tracking
6. Reporting
7. Education



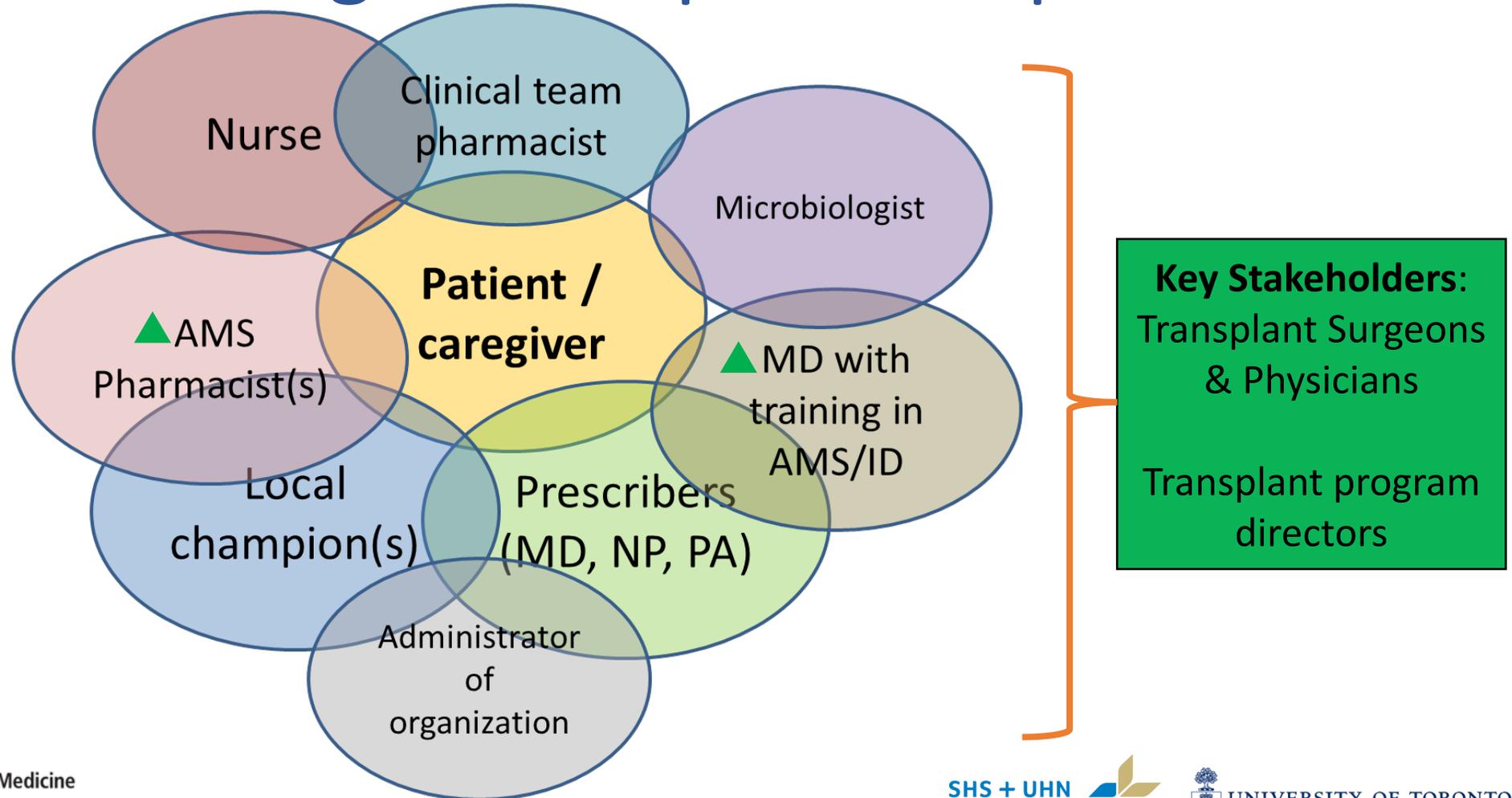
CDC Core Elements: The “Who”

1. Hospital leadership – resource allocation and support
2. Accountability
 - Reporting structure to hospital administration, and identify person(s) responsible for the antimicrobial stewardship program
 - Membership of the team
 - Key stakeholders
3. Pharmacy expertise and co-leadership – antibiotic use



So...what existing elements can we borrow or steal for solid organ transplant recipients?

▲ With specialized knowledge in transplant infectious diseases



CDC Core Elements: The “What” and the “How”

4. Implementation of ASP Interventions

- Audit-feedback
- Restriction on prescribing
- Guidelines
- Dose optimization, IV→PO
- Duration
- Tailoring of antibiotics
- De-label “penicillin allergy”

5. Tracking* – how much, how well

6. Reporting* – “sharing is caring”

7. Education

*Quality improvement framework



CDC National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

- Antimicrobial use (AMU) / antimicrobial resistance (AMR) modules
- Standardized to patient volume (patient-days) for internal comparison and external benchmarking with peer hospitals
 - Standardized antimicrobial administration ratio (SAAR) for specific antibiotics
 - Organism- and antibiotic-specific resistance rate
- Applicable to solid organ transplant patients
- Patient safety metrics on healthcare-associated infections



Surgical site infections and complications

NSQIP Program

ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program

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The ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (ACS NSQIP®) is a nationally validated, risk-adjusted, outcomes-based program to measure and improve the quality of surgical care. Built by surgeons for surgeons, ACS NSQIP provides participating hospitals with tools, analyses, and reports to make informed decisions about improving quality of care. Further, peer-reviewed studies have shown that ACS NSQIP is effective in improving the quality of surgical care while also reducing complications and costs.

- Prevent 250–500 complications
- Save 12–36 lives
- Reduce costs by millions of dollars

TransQIP Program

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Special Article

A Transplant-Specific Quality Initiative—Introducing TransQIP: A Joint Effort of the ASTS and ACS

Includes transplant-related, healthcare-associated infections – quantity and quality (appropriateness) of antibiotic use



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Australia's National Centre for Antimicrobial Stewardship National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey

- Web-based tool
 - Adaptable to transplant patients
 - Patient's clinical data and antibiotic prescription data for real-time adjudication of appropriateness against guidelines (local or published), or antimicrobial stewardship principles
 - Can be specific to unit (e.g. transplant units), patient group (e.g. liver recipient), prescriber group, or hospital-wide



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HOSPITAL NAPS National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey

The National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey

The [National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey \(NAPS\)](#) is a standardised auditing tool that is designed to assist healthcare facilities to assess the quantity and quality of local antimicrobial prescribing.

The development and implementation of the NAPS has been undertaken through an ongoing collaborative partnership between the National Centre for Antimicrobial Stewardship and the [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](#) since 2013. NAPS is administered by the Guidance Group at Melbourne Health and is a program partner in the [Antimicrobial Usage and Resistance in Australia \(AURA\)](#) Surveillance System.

The Hospital NAPS is the flagship survey and commenced in 2011. Since then, the NAPS program has grown and diversified to provide a suite of auditing tools that support the antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) workforce and meet the geographical challenges of Australian hospitals. There are currently 4 modules available: Hospital NAPS, Surgical NAPS and the Quality Improvement NAPS, which have been developed for hospitals, and the Aged Care NAPS, which has been developed for residential aged care facilities. A Hospital-in-the-Home NAPS and a General Practice NAPS are being piloted, and a Veterinary NAPS is in development.

The NAPS has become an important tool for the implementation of the objectives of [Australia's National Antimicrobial Resistance Strategy](#), and for increasing the appropriate and judicious use of

Results of the 2016 Surgical NAPS



Results of the 2016 Aged Care NAPS

<https://www.ncas-australia.org/naps>

Best Practices for the Implementation of Antimicrobial Stewardship in Solid Organ Transplant Programs

Challenges in Implementing ASPs for SOT Recipients

- Diagnostic uncertainty
- Atypical presentations
- Colonization with MDROs
- Difficulties in obtaining source control
- Perception of severity of infection
- Lack of guidelines delineating optimal length of therapy



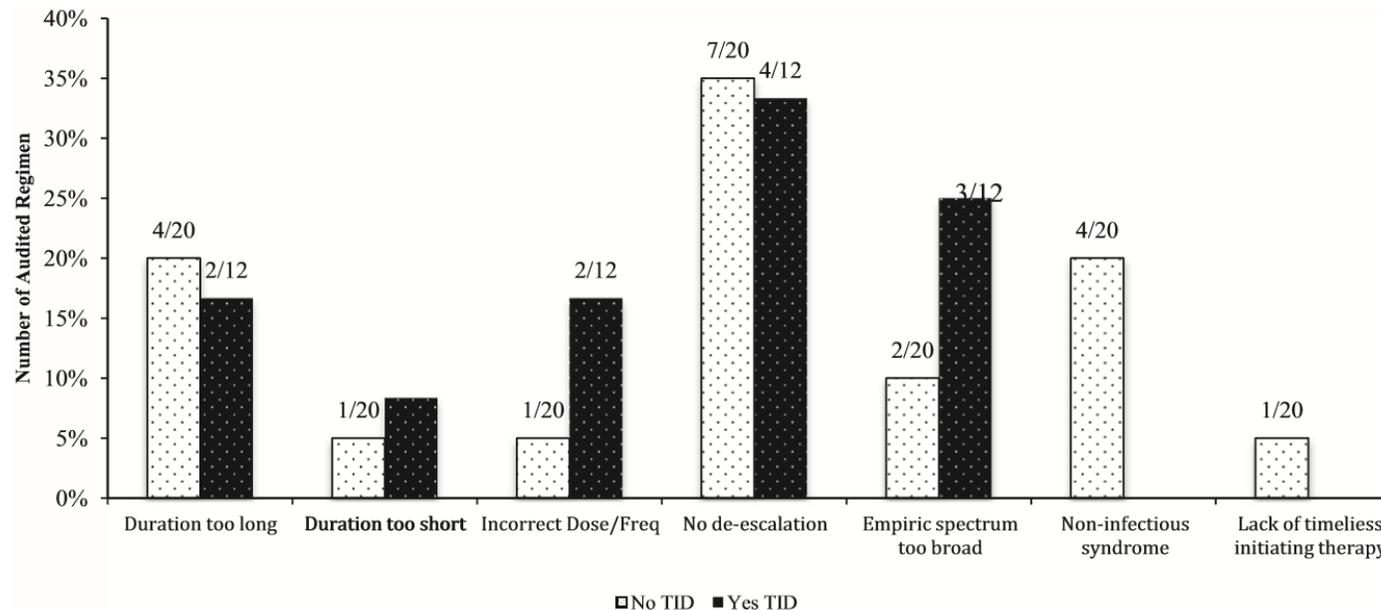
Perceptions of Stewardship by Transplant Clinicians

- 308 respondents (33% ID physicians, 27% transplant physicians)
- 66% of respondents felt the main goal of an antimicrobial stewardship program (ASP) is to increase the appropriateness of antimicrobials
- >40% of respondents noted that their patients had experienced antibiotic-resistant infections
- 90% of ID clinicians and 75% of non-ID clinicians considered ASPs to have made a positive impact on the quality of patient care
- 92% of non-ID respondents would be more likely to follow ASP recommendations if transplant ID was part of the team

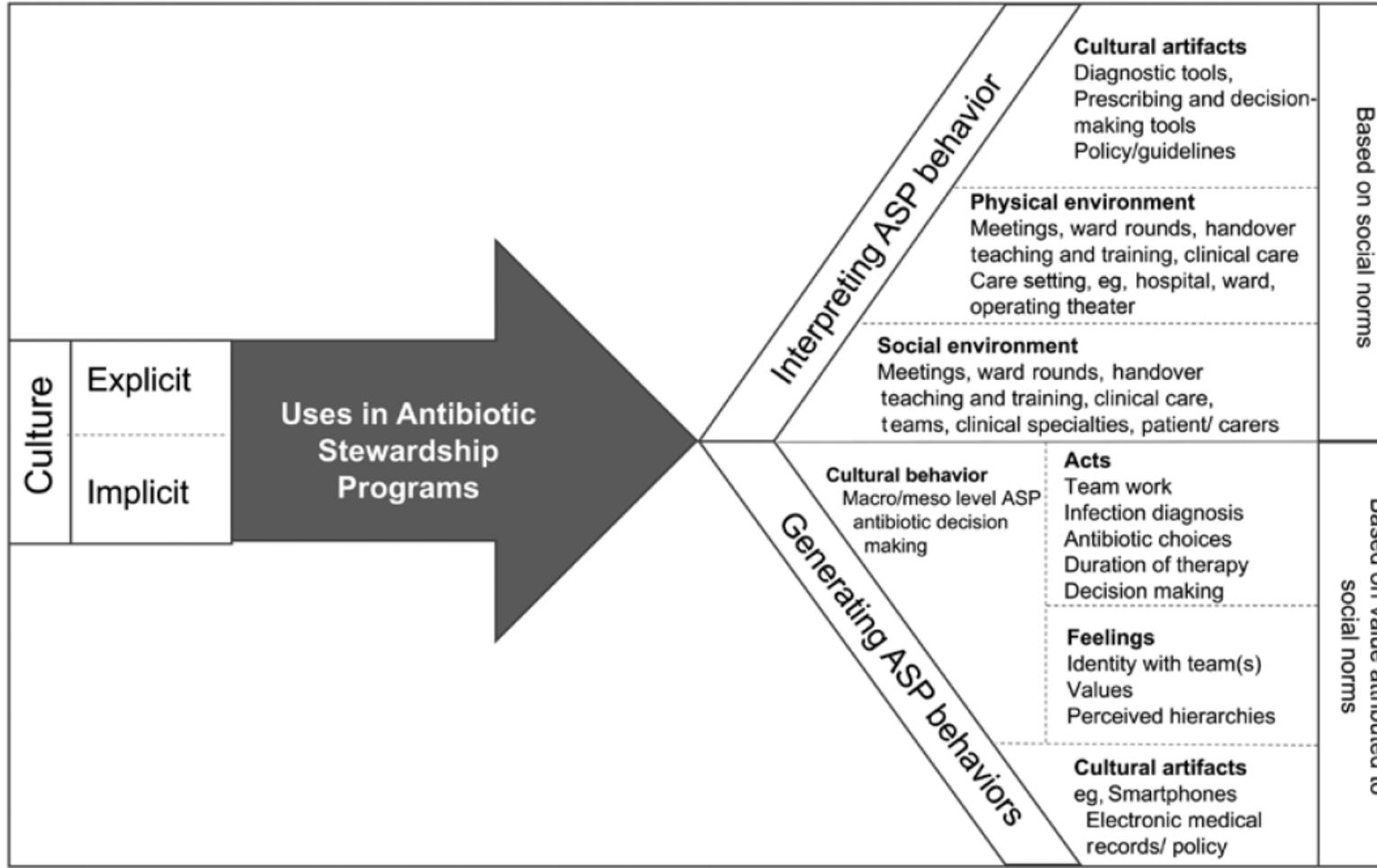


Opportunities for Stewardship in SOT

- Transplant ID (TID) was consulted on 54% of prescriptions
- TID consult was associated with a higher percentage of stewardship-concordant prescriptions (78.5% vs. 59.6%, $p = 0.03$)
- Discordance related to non-adherence to recommendations



Culture Impacts Prescribing Patterns



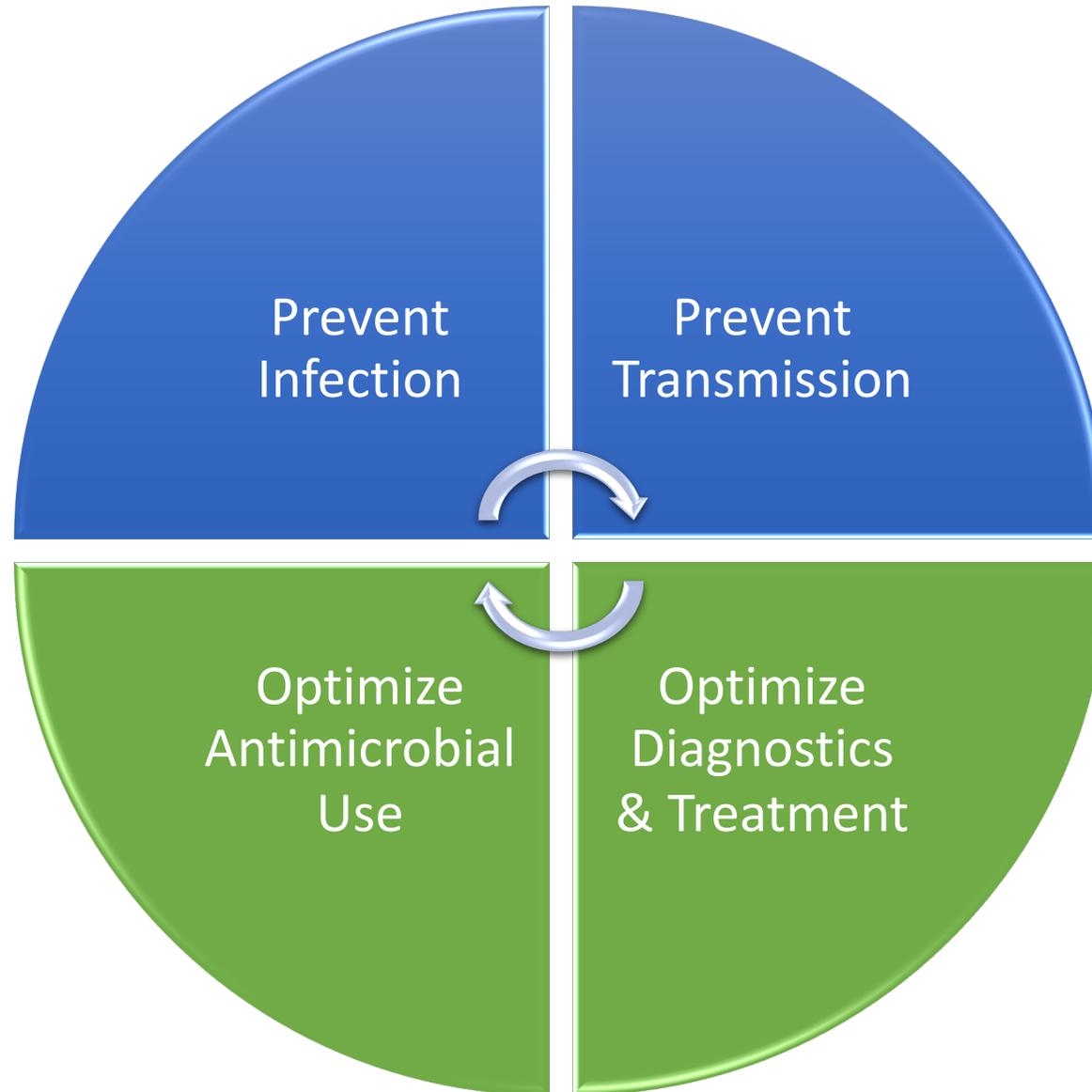
Team-Based Approach Starts with a Handshake

“Handshake Stewardship”

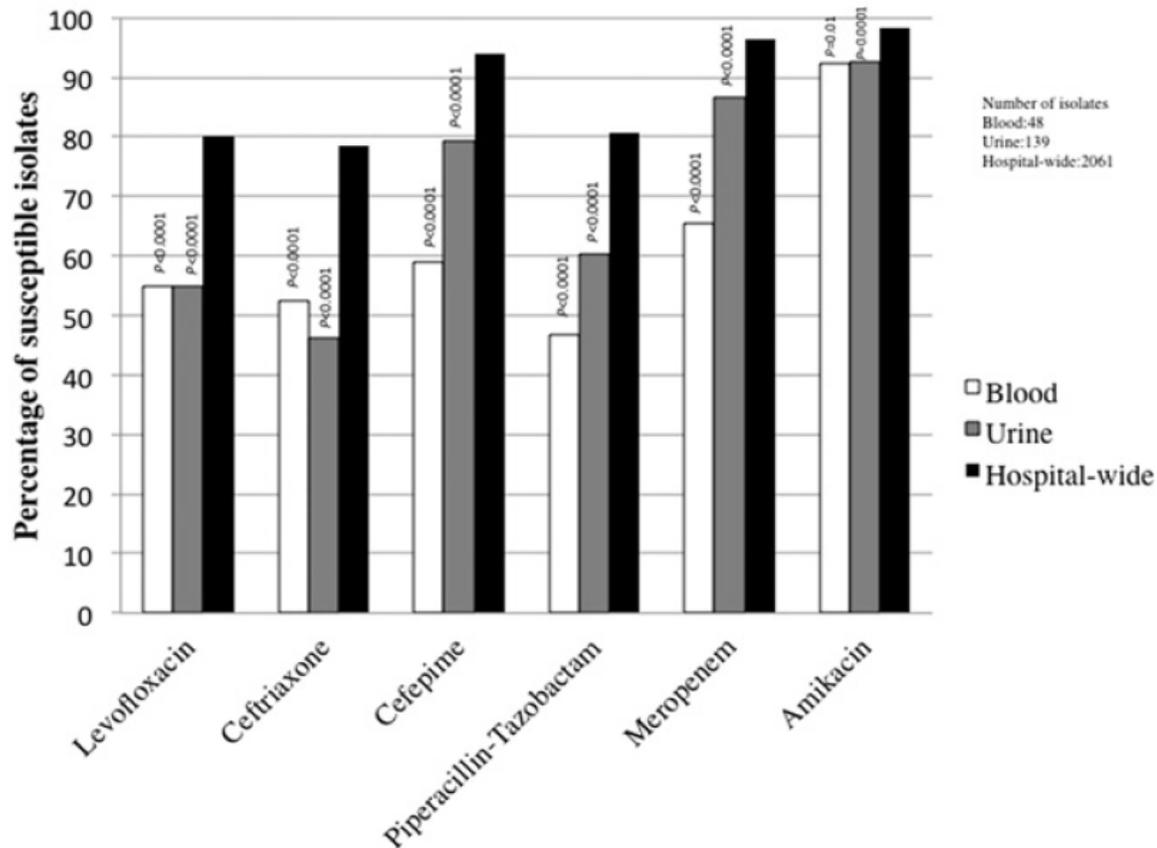
- In-person rounding with pharmacist/physician members of the ASP team
- Associated with reductions in antibiotic use
- Additional benefits
 - Better understanding of the culture of antibiotic prescribing
 - Reinforces shared goal of positive patient outcomes and team-based approach to patient care



Infection Prevention & Control



Reducing Time to Effective Antibiotic Therapy: Engagement with Microbiology



- Rapid diagnostics

- Multiplex PCR panels detecting organisms from blood, gastrointestinal, and respiratory specimens may provide organism identification and genotypic resistance information
- Multiplex panels and other rapid diagnostics may have a role in transplant stewardship
- Additional study is warranted



What Would You Be Asking the C-Suite to Support an ASP for Transplant Patients?

- Understand what is already available at your center/institution, what resources can be leveraged
- Support your “ask” with transplant-specific data
- “What’s in it for them, the C-Suite?” (How to make them look good)
 - Positive impact on clinical outcome, quality of care
 - Optimization of resources: fiscal, personnel
 - Metrics: cost, length of stay, readmission, complications
 - Justify the incremental investment for transplant population

