

Scottish National Healthcare Associated Infection and Antimicrobial Prescribing Prevalence Survey

Information for ward staff



Health Protection Scotland

The team of data collectors will be in your area from:

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What is Being Undertaken?

A survey to assess the current burden of all HAI types, the prevalence of antimicrobial prescribing and the types of antimicrobials being prescribed in Scottish hospitals will be undertaken in Scottish hospitals during September and October 2011

How will the Information be Used?

The information gathered will identify priority areas for future interventions to prevent and control HAI, for antimicrobial stewardship and for future targeted incidence surveillance of HAI

How is the Data Collected?

The data will be collected by local teams of data collectors, including representatives from the Infection Control Teams and Antimicrobial Management Teams and Clinical Teams

What will Happen on Each Ward?

The data collection team will be visiting each eligible ward on one day during the data collection period

They will use a number of data sources including medical notes, nursing notes and other relevant documentation

Will I be Asked to Assist?

The data collection team will need minimal input from staff, though there may be instances where assistance may be required from staff caring for the patient. Staff may also be asked for advice on planning to minimise disruption to the ward routine

For further information please contact either your local Board contact:

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or the HAI and Antimicrobial Prescribing Prevalence Project Team on 0141 282 2932 or email nss.hpshaiprevalence@nhs.net

