## Antibiogram Chatham-Kent Health Alliance

## A Guide to Interpreting the Antibiogram

- The antibiogram is an annual cumulative report of the antimicrobial susceptibility rates of common pathogens recovered from patients receiving care at Chatham-Kent Healthcare Alliance facilities and is to be used as a resource to inform empirical antimicrobial therapy.
- Susceptibility rates are calculated from the compilation of susceptibility results from all 'first' clinical isolates of a specific pathogen recovered from an individual patient per 30-day period. The rationale for this referral period is based on the need to represent 'wild-type' susceptibility profiles and avoid over-representing antimicrobial resistance that may develop de novo during a patient's prolonged hospital stay.
- Susceptibility rates for pathogens or clinical scenarios represented by less than 30 isolates are not calculated due to their limited statistical significance and interpretive value.
- The appropriateness of empiric therapy is highlighted using a colour range that corresponds to susceptibility rates. Green, 80-100%; Yellow, 70-79%; Red, <70%.

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Organism	Number of Isolates	Ampicillin	Amoxacillin-Clavulanate	Piperacillin-Tazobactam	Cloxacillin	Cephalexin (urinary tract)	Cefazolin	Ceftriaxone	Ceftazidime	Imipenem	Meropenem	Ciprofloxacin	Clindamycin	Gentamicin	Tobramycin	TMP-SMX	Vancomycin
Escherichia coli	1014	60	88			90	77	91		99		79		94	93	83	
Klebsiella pneumoniae complex	171		98			98	93	98		99		95		100	99		
Proteus mirabilis	76	95	97					100			100	99		95	92	99	
Enterobacter cloacae complex	61							72		100		90		97	95	92	
Klebsiella oxytoca	49		92					94		100		92		98	98	94	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	97			93					91	85	89	83		92	98		
Staphylococcus aureus	360				76								74			100	100
MRSA	87				0								63			100	100
Enterococcus faecalis	30	100												79			100

*Enterobacter, Citrobacter, Klebsiella aerogenes* and *Serratia* species are intrinsically resistant to ampicillin, cefazolin, and cefuroxime and may develop resistance to broader-spectrum beta-lactams during prolonged beta-lactam therapy.