Appendix A: Long-Term Care Facility Capacity to Implement an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program- A Conceptual Model

Guidance for Promoting Antimicrobial Stewardship in Long-term Care Facilities

Baseline Assessments
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Strategy Audit Tool
- Antibiotic use attitudes/beliefs surveys for nurses and providers
- Antibiotic use assessment
- Nursing process mapping

Overarching Stewardship Goals:
1. Written policies/protocols align with evidence-based recommendations
2. Current practices align with evidence-based recommendations

Antimicrobial Stewardship Strategy Audit Tool

Antibiotic use attitudes/beliefs surveys for nurses and providers

Antibiotic use assessment

Nursing process mapping

Evidence-based Recommendations
- Recognize symptoms that require treatment
- Assess for presence of symptoms
- Communicate symptoms, actions, and responses
- Document symptoms, actions, and responses


Nursing
- Accurate, timely nursing assessment
- Empowered communication
- Informative, holistic documentation

Providers
5 Rights:
- Diagnosis
- Drug
- Dose
- Duration
- De-escalation

Antibiotic Timeout

Capacity to Implement Antimicrobial Stewardship