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Subject: Testing and Management Protocols for Carbapenem-

Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)

REQUEST

1. Testing and Management Protocols for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)

1.1. Does your trust have a clinical protocol for testing and managing patients for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)?

If yes:

- a) Is your CRE testing protocol primarily molecular-based?
- b) If not, please specify which type of testing protocol is followed.
- 3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for CRE from?

2. Testing Protocols for Clostridioides difficile (C. difficile) Infection

2.1. Does your trust have a formal protocol for testing patients for *Clostridioides difficile* (C. difficile) infection?

If yes:

- a) Is your C. difficile testing protocol molecular-based?
- b) If not, please specify the testing method used.
- 3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for C. difficile from?

3. Testing and Procurement for Tuberculosis (TB) Resistance

- 3.1. What methods does your trust use to test for tuberculosis (TB) resistance?
- 3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for TB resistance from?

RESPONSE

- 1. Testing and Management Protocols for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)
- 1.1. Does your trust have a clinical protocol for testing and managing patients for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)? Yes

If yes:

a) Is your CRE testing protocol primarily molecular-based?

No

b) If not, please specify which type of testing protocol is followed.

Rectal swabs are cultured onto Colorex™ mSuperCARBA™ agar.

3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for CRE from?

Cepheid

2. Testing Protocols for Clostridioides difficile (C. difficile) Infection

2.1. Does your trust have a formal protocol for testing patients for *Clostridioides difficile* (C. difficile) infection? Yes

If yes:

a) Is your C. difficile testing protocol molecular-based?

Yes

b) If not, please specify the testing method used.

N/A

3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for C. difficile from?

Serosep

3. Testing and Procurement for Tuberculosis (TB) Resistance

3.1. What methods does your trust use to test for tuberculosis (TB) resistance?

Not performed onsite.

3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for TB resistance from?

Not performed onsite.