

Patient:.....

DOB:.....

Care Home:.....

Date:..... Carer:.....

Older patients (>65) with suspected UTI (urinary tract infection)

Guidance for Care Home staff DO NOT PERFORM URINE DIPSTICK – No longer recommended in pts >65 years

- Complete **1) to 4)** and **patient details** and copy to GP. Original to patient notes.
- Obtain MSU (if possible) if new onset dysuria alone, OR 2 or more signs/symptoms*

1) Signs of any other infection source?

Y / N If Y circle any NEW symptoms which apply:

Cough

Shortness of breath

Sputum production

Nausea/vomiting

Diarrhoea

Abdominal pain

Red/warm/swollen area of skin

2) Patients who can communicate symptoms: **Y / N**

3) All Patients:

4) Catheter

NEW ONSET Sign/Symptom	What does this mean?	Tick if present
Dysuria	Pain on urinating	
Frequency or Urgency*	Need to urinate more often than usual or Need to pass urine urgently	
Incontinence*	Leaking urine	
Suprapubic tenderness*	Pain in lower tummy/above pubic area	
Haematuria*	Blood in urine	
Loin pain	Lower back pain	

Sign/Symptom	Y/N plus observation(s) or NOT KNOWN
Temperature 1.5°C above patient's normal twice in last 12 hours *	
Temperature above 37.9°C or 36°C or below, or shaking chills (rigors) in last 24 hours	
Systolic BP (mmHg)	
Heart Rate (beats/min)	
Respiratory rate (breaths/min)	
New onset or worsening confusion, agitation or debility (weakness)*	

Yes / No
If YES:
Reason for catheter:
Temp / Perm
Date changed:
Is catheter blocked?
Yes/No

5) GP Management Decision - circle all which apply and communicate outcome to Care Home staff :

Review in 24 hours

Mid-Stream Urine specimen (MSU)

Uncomplicated lower UTI

Pyelonephritis

Other

Antibiotic prescribed:

Signed:Date:

For prescribing guidance, Community Antibiotic Guidelines - for common infections, can be found on the NHS Coventry and Warwickshire website.