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1.0 Infectious Diseases

New and return patients with infectious diseases including babies born to mother with history

2.0 Location / Available rooms

Medical Tower, 2nd floor – Tuesday and Wednesday am.

Rooms available 3

Average number of patients – 20 per clinic

3.0 Team – Infectious Diseases

Consultants

Prof. Karina Butler

Clinical Nurse Specialist

Michelle Good – 8523

Sinead McDonagh / Annette Rochford – 8543

Samantha Connell 8524

Helen Dunne 8524

Secretaries

Jennifer Malone 6338


Carol Anne Kelly 6893

4.0 Management of ICA's

- Where possible check ICAs previous day, investigate if the ICA remains active.
- All ICAs will be flagged on IPMs and clinic print out. Ensure in advance of arrival that a room is available, and place a sign on the door, on patients arrival they should be shown to isolation room.
- If there are large numbers of ICAs, it may be necessary to contact parents and ask them to come for last appointment.
- If there are empty rooms available, please use them to see patients.
- Remove any equipment that will not be used, prior to the patient being reviewed.
- Contact the janitor to complete a discharge clean when the patient leaves the room, discard any single use equipment.
- There is an infection control alert diary for staff to record all ICAs alerts

5.0 Clinic Setup

- Ensure computers are on and prescription pads out for team.
- High tech prescriptions required. (Locked in press in nurse's station)
- Some charts for clinic can be collected from secretaries' office.
- CNSp's will identify children who require phlebotomy and provide blood forms.
- Vaccinations will be given by CNSp.
- OPAT clinic runs concurrently in rooms SF27 & SF28. Liaise with CNSp Cathy Hopkins as to availability of these rooms for isolation

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6.0 Safety Checks

- Note where emergency trolley is situated.
- Note where emergency trolley is kept and perform checks daily (including de-fib and suction)
- Emergency intubation medication will be brought by the team from ICU when required.
- Check oxygen, BVMs and suction in all rooms.
- Be familiar with anaphylaxis algorithm

7.0 Patient Investigations

- Weight
- Height
- BP and Urine as requested

8.0 Equipment

- Weighing scales x2 (baby, floor scales)
- Stadiometer / Rollometer
- Dinamap / sats monitor

9.0 Closing Clinic

- Ensure all patients have been reviewed, discharged, and left the clinic
- Stamp all DNAs charts for consultant review and plan.
- Team will return clinic and DNA charts to secretary.
- Return all prescription pads to locked press in Nurse's check-in room.

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