

Cellulitis Treatment Guidelines For District Nurse Visit



Name _____

NHI _____

Or Place Patient Label Here

GUIDELINES FOR DISTRICT NURSE VISIT

- Daily visit for two days
- **Take to home:** Needles, syringe, diluent, etc for administration of IV antibiotic
Dressings as required
Thermometer.
- Complete District Nursing Daily assessment

******If anaphylactic reaction to IV antibiotics- administer adrenaline as per Authority for Administration, then dial 111 immediately******

- Refer to A&E if:
 - IV Cannula tissues
 - An increase in local infection->10% of demarcation line
 - Fever >38 degrees
 - Any signs of Thrombophlebitis
 - Increasing pain or loss of function of the affected area
 - For any other unrelated health matters please contact the patient's GP or After Hours Primary Service Provider

DISCHARGE CHECKLIST

TO BE COMPLETED BY DISTRICT NURSE	INITIAL	DATE
Two doses of IV antibiotics given		
Decrease in redness and swelling		
Temperature < 37.5		
IV cannula removed		
District Nurse discharge form to GP completed		
Discharge form given to patient		
Script filled for oral antibiotics		
All cellulitis pathway notes to be returned to patients main notes		