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Saskatchewan Infection Prevention and Control Program Post Surgical Follow-up Tool

Patient safety is an important priority for the Saskatchewan Infection Prevention and Control Program. The purpose of the Post Surgical Follow-up Tool is to better assist us in identifying symptoms that may develop following surgery in our hospitals. In the event that a patient experiences one or more of the symptoms indicated below, it is important that there is timely follow-up and appropriate treatment, if required.

Patients: Please take this form (do not complete yourself) to your doctor or healthcare provider if you develop **ONE or MORE** of the symptoms indicated below.

Healthcare Providers: If the patient presents with **ONE or MORE** of the symptoms below, please:

- Collect a swab for culture and sensitivity (C&S) before prescribing an antibiotic; and
- Complete this form and fax it to your Regional Infection Prevention and Control department at:

_____ or phone _____.

Please check (✓) **all** the symptoms that developed after surgery:

- Redness, heat, and/or swelling around the surgical site
- Pus from the surgical site
- Increased pain or tenderness at the surgical site
- Chills/fever with a temperature greater than 38°C or 100.4°F

Was a swab taken of the surgical site? YES NO

Was a course of antibiotics related to the surgical site prescribed by a healthcare provider?
 YES NO

Surgery Performed: _____

Hospital where surgery was performed: _____

This section to be completed by Infection Prevention and Control

Date follow-up completed (dd/mm/yyyy): _____
 Meets CDC/NHSN criteria for a SSI: Yes No
 Additional notes:

 Date: _____ Infection Control Professional: _____
 (dd/mm/yyyy)