

Facility and Patient Eligibility

Country/Facility eligibility

Any healthcare facility **providing primary care/ambulatory care** with **qualified clinical staff** who can **evaluate patient symptoms and prescribe/dispense antibiotics** is eligible.

The aim is to include a mix of private and public facilities, outpatient and primary healthcare facilities, urban and rural facilities → **all ethical and regulatory obligations need to be met**

- **Data entry training:** Teams collecting data need to complete a **mandatory training** in order to **participate to the study** and to **access the Open Data Kit (ODK) platform**. Please see ODK training document on how to set up and enter data in ODK.

Patient Eligibility

➤ Inclusion criteria:

Patients of **all ages** presenting with **acute infection symptoms (<14 days of symptoms)** on the day of the survey should be included.

Eligibility will be determined by the local site team using the **infection symptoms/diagnoses of interest as a guide**: If the patient presents with any other symptoms the clinician thinks are consistent with infection these can be recorded and included under “Other primary presentation/diagnosis”

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| - Fever | - Increased urgency or frequency of urination/UTI |
| - Acute cough | - Painful urination |
| - Sore throat/pharyngitis/tonsillitis | - Genital discharge/STI |
| - Facial pain or pressure/sinusitis | - Wound/burn/bite infection |
| - Runny nose/nasal congestion/coryza | - Skin rash/spots - without swelling |
| - Middle ear pain/acute otitis media | - Skin swelling/redness/warmth/pain |
| - Toothache/tooth abscess | - Other primary presentation/diagnosis |
| - Acute diarrhoea/gastroenteritis | |

N.B.: All patients with **acute symptoms of infection** are eligible, **no matter if they are prescribed antibiotics or not.**

E.g.: A 6-year-old male with non-bloody diarrhoea for 5 days, who has been prescribed with oral rehydration therapy → He should be included in view of presenting with acute infection symptoms, *even though he wasn't prescribed antibiotics.*

➤ Exclusion criteria:

Patients presenting with **chronic conditions (>14 days of symptoms)** as their **primary** reason for presentation should be excluded.

N.B.: Patients with **chronic conditions** who present with **new acute symptoms/signs of infections** **should be included!**

E.g.: A 65-year-old male with underlying chronic obstructive pulmonary disease presenting with productive cough for 10 days → He should be included because he is currently experiencing acute infection symptoms *as his primary reason for presentation*, though he also has a chronic condition.