Right Duration





Keep antimicrobials working - SHORTER IS BETTER! avoid prescribing for longer than necessary. Refer to local guidelines for duration.





There is **NO MINIMUM** duration for IV Antibiotics - they should be reviewed every 12 - 24hrs. Consider **IVOST** (IV to ORAL switch) at the earliest appropriate point in care



For ORAL antimcrobials, state **DURATION/ STOP DATE** on medicines chart/ HEPMA and on discharge prescriptions.







Only supply enough oral antimicrobials required to **COMPLETE THE COURSE**.



Add **DEFAULT DURATIONS** for commonly used antimicrobials in primary care - for information how to set up defaults on Vision prescribing system, click <u>here</u>

