

**CONT054 Flow Chart for management of suspected or confirmed CAUTI**

CAUTI not identified

Patient with indwelling urinary catheter presents with suspected

catheter associated urinary tract infection (CAUTI)

DO NOT UNDERTAKE URINALYSIS

Use UTI Assessment form to assess clinical symptoms

 **(urethral or supra pubic indwelling urinary catheters)**

CAUTI identified

Inform GP

Consider whether patient is suitable for an immediate trial with out catheter (TWOC)

If TWOC is successful, obtain an MSU before antibiotics are taken, and send for MC&S, noting ‘suspected CAUTI’ and any antibiotics prescribed

Commence antibiotics

If catheter can not be removed for clinical reasons (eg urinary retention)

Obtain a CSU before antibiotics are taken, and send for MC&S, noting ‘suspected CAUTI’ and any antibiotics prescribed

Commence antibiotics

If the catheter has been in place for MORE than 7 days it must be changed within 48 to 72 hours of starting antibiotic treatment

If catheter has been in place for 7 days or LESS

leave it insitu

(it does not need changing during the course of the antibiotics)

**DO NOT ALLOW CATHETER REMOVAL OR CHANGE TO DELAY ANTIBIOTIC TREATMENT**