Antimicrobial practices in ambulatory setting and the pitfalls

Skin and soft tissue infections

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Case 1: A 5-year-old girl



Recurrent Lt. axillary abscess



1st I&D + cephalexin 2nd I&D + Augmentin Dressing wound Cloxacillin + fucidic acid

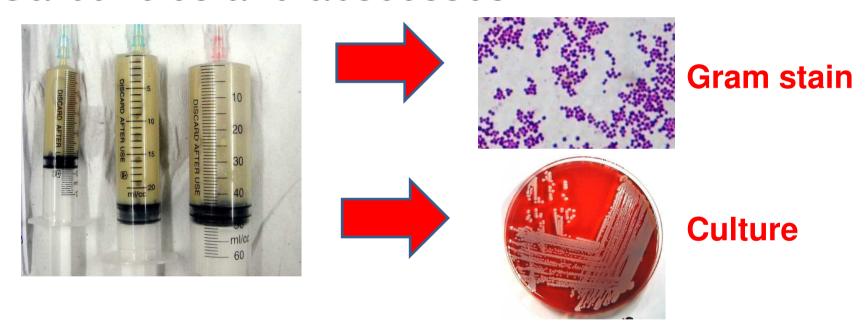
I&D + pus culture

Excision

What is the appropriate evaluation for purulent SSTIs



Carbuncles and abscesses

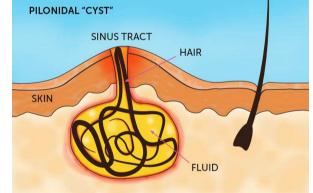


 Treatment without these studies is reasonable in typical case (strong, moderate)

Treatment for recurrent skin abscess

 At the same site: prompt a search for local causes: pilonidal cyst, foreign material

(strong, moderate)



 Drained and cultured early in the course of infection (strong, moderate)

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10 days later

- new pustular lesion