



Organization of OPAT International literature put into practice in Belgium

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OPAT

3 models

- Ambulatory care centre hospital nurse
- Patient's home patient or informal caregiver (S-OPAT: self-administration)
- Patient's home or ambulatory centre home healthcare nurse





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- 3. Written procedures and protocols
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- 5. Communication system and registration tool
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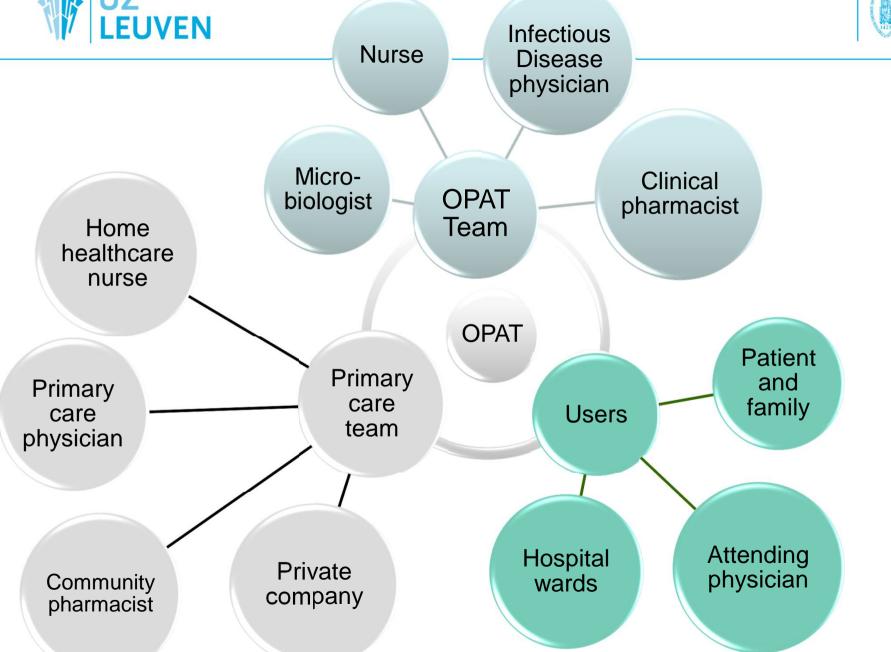




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Target group

Which infections?

Which antimicrobials?

Which patients?



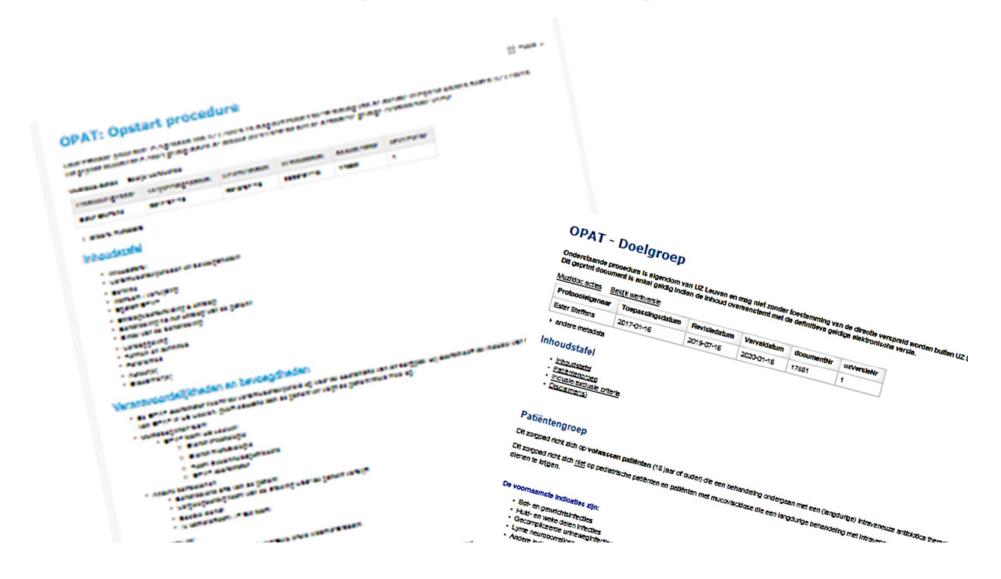


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Written procedures and protocols







Basic steps of OPAT procedures and protocols

- 1. Selection of patients
 - A. Informed consent
 - B. Multidisciplinary evaluation
- 2. Intravascular catheter
- 3. Prescription and delivery of antimicrobials, materials
- 4. Prescription for care by the home healthcare nurse
- 5. Patient education
- 6. Transition of care
- 7. Clinical and laboratory monitoring
- 8. Trouble shooting





1. SELECTION OF PATIENTS

A. INFORMED CONSENT





Patient perceptions about OPAT

Generally positive perceptions

- Improves quality of life
- Comfort of the home environment
- Work or home care
- Sense of ownership over their illness
- Increased involvement in their treatment





Patient perceptions about OPAT

Also concerns and anxiety about

- Safety
- Competence of nursing staff
- Night-time emergencies
- Lack of domestic support





OPAT @ home \Leftrightarrow hospitalization

Temocilline 2x2g during 10 days

Co-payment	Medication	Materials	Honorarium physician	Honorarium nurse	Total co- payment
OPAT @ home	€201,7	€68,7	€12	€0 or €131,7	€282,4 or € 414,1
Hospitalization	€6,2	€150	€49		€205,2

⇒ reimbursement by private hospitalization insurance?





1. SELECTION OF PATIENTS B. MULTIDISCPLINARY EVALUATION





Infection – specific selection criteria

 No oral antibiotics with adequate bioavailability and adequate activity available

Positive clinical and biochemical evolution of the infection





Other medical factors

- No severe co-morbidities
- No surgical or medical interventions which require hospitalization
- Psychiatric or cognitive disorders





Patient - related selection criteria

- Ability to understand OPAT
- Independent in activities of daily living (eg. walking)
- No alcohol or drug abuse
- (Social) support from family, informal caregivers or professional assistance
- Suitable and safe home environment
- Access to a telephone





2. Intravascular catheter

Timely placement of intravascular device promotes early discharge





Choice of intravascular device

- Treatment requirements (duration, blood samples, ...)
- pH, osmolarity, irritating characteristics of the solution
- Risk on complications

Phlebitis Leakage, extravasation

Central line associated Hemorrhage

Blood stream infection

Thrombosis Hemothorax

Occlusion Pneumothorax

Accidental removal

 Medical factors (eg. potential need of hemodialysis in the future)

O'Grady, e.a., 2011; Loveday, e.a. 2014



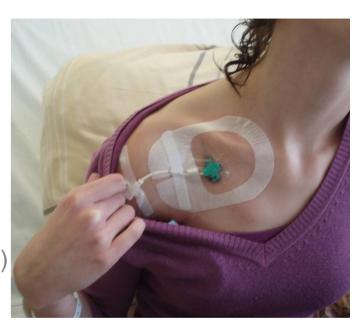


Non-tunneled central venous catheters

- Intended for continuous use
- High rates of infection, obstruction, dislocation, accidental removal and venous thrombosis
- ⇒ Should normally be used only in hospitalized patients
- ⇒ Discouraged in Home Parenteral Nutrition (HPN)



- Tice, 2004: non-tunneled central venous catheters are widely used
- Chapman, 2012: no recommendation







Peripheral venous catheter

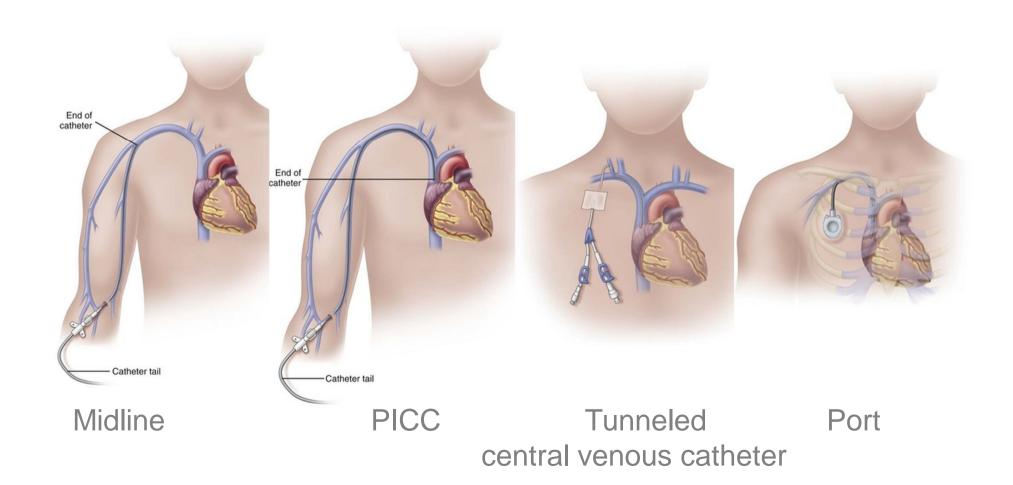
- Risk of thrombophlebitis and accidental removal
- ⇒ Discouraged in HPN
- \Rightarrow OPAT guidelines
 - Tice e.a. 2004: appropriate for
 - patients with good vein status
 - short course of therapy
 - Agent with low potential for causing phlebitis or soft tissue damage
 - Chapman, e.a. 2012: no recommendation















3. Prescription & delivery of antibiotics and materials

- Delivery by hospital pharmacists, community pharmacists, private companies
- Belgian legislation (25/03/1964): hospital pharmacist
 - only for admitted patients
 - for use during hospital admission
 - with the exception of the first 3 days post-discharge
- Royal Decree (18/12/2016): hospital and community pharmacists
 - to ambulatory patients
 - for treatments started in the hospital or for ambulatory therapy
 - conditions need to be defined





4. Prescription - home care

Preparation and administration of IV antibiotics

Care and maintenance of intravascular access device

nurses are only allowed to carry out these activities on medical prescription

Prescription is a condition for reimbursement by the RIZIV/INAMI





Content of a medical prescription for home healthcare

- Specific activities
- –Number of activities or duration (begin and end date)
- -Frequency (hours of administration)
- -Dose
- -Infusion rate



5. Patient education

Written and oral information

- Topics
 - Antibiotic therapy & administration
 - Intravascular catheter care
 - Storage of materials and antimicrobials
 - Complications
 - Self care
 - (precautions, actions & telephone numbers for emergencies)
 - Financial aspects







6. Care transition transmural communication

- Infection, co-morbidities, ...
- IV catheter & antimicrobial
- Administration procedure
- Potential complications of the therapy
- Agreements about
 - -delivery of medication and materials
 - -Follow-up at home: What? When? By whom?







OPAT PROJECT: Intraveneuze antibioticathera met temocilline

Informatie voor zorgverleners OPAT PROJECT: Intravene met vancomy tine Informatie voor Zorgverle Gevalideerd door de OPAT werkgroep op 10/01/2017 | UZ LEUVE





7. PREPARATION AND ADMINISTRATION AT HOME





CONTINUOUS ADMINISTRATION ELASTOMERIC DEVICES













CONTINUOUS ADMINISTRATION ELECTRONIC PUMPS









INTERMITTENT ADMINISTRATION

Injection



Perfusion







CDC-guidelines prevention of intravascular catheter related infections

- Educate healthcare personnel regarding maintenance of intravascular catheters
- Periodically assess knowledge of and adherence to guidelines
- Designate only trained personnel





Description	Number of activities
Healthcare services carried out by home healthcare nurses in 2015	152 805 022 (100%)
Administration of intravenous medication (incl. flushing the catheter)	128 194 (0,001%)
Daily fee for insertion of and supervision on intravenous or subcutaneous perfusion	243 756 (0,15%)
skin and wound care	19 709 957 (12,8%)
Self-care facilitation: bathing	22 363 901 (14,6%)





Description	Number of activities (%)	
Total	366128 (100%)	
Self-care facilitation: bathing	26 969 (7,3%)	
Skin and wound care	22740 (6,2%)	
Intravenous catheter care	729 (0,2%)	
Home parenteral nutrition	211 (0,06%)	
Intravenous injections	14 (0,004%)	
Insert / replace iv or sc perfusion	56 (0,02%)	
Replace heparin lock	32 (0,01%)	
Port catheter	416 (0,1%)	

De Vliegher, e.a., 2015





Quality improvement interventions IV catheter care

- Home healthcare companies
- Specialized IV teams / reference nurses
- Educational interventions
 - Leaflets (protocols), e-learning, training, ...
- Surveillance & feedback: care bundles & checklists









OPAT PROJECT

Intraveneuze antibioticatherapie met vancomycine



WEKELIKS SPOELEN **VERVANGING VAN DE AFSLUITDOPJES** Werkwijze (info voor thuiszorg):



- Ontsmet uw propere handen met handalcohol.
- Doe zo nodig niet-steriele handschoenen aan.
 Controleer of de klem van de katheter gesioten is.
- Hou een steriel kompres gedrenkt in een alcoholische oplossing onder de connectieplaats.
- Verwijder het oude afsluitdopje.
 Ontsmet en reinig het open uiteinde indien zichtbaar bevuild. X Bij naaldioze afsluitdopjes: plaats eerst een nieuw
- naaldloos afslultdopje.
- X Bij conventionele afsluitdopjes: plaats een nieuw afsluitdopje na het spoelen.
- Plaats de spuit met 10 mi* NaCl 0,9% op het open katheterulteinde of op het nieuwe naaldioze afsluitdopje.
- Open de klem, aspireer niet.
- Spuit de NaCl 0,9% pulserend In.
- Sluit af onder positieve druk: sluit de klem terwijl de laatste 3 ml traag wordt Ingespoten.
- Spoel de andere lumens op dezelfde manier.

* 5 ml voor een zuigeling of kind dat minder weegt dan 10 kg

Onderhoud van een PICK en midline



1. BEREIDING EN TOEDIENING VAN INFUSOR MET VANCOMYCINE

	NODIGE MATERIALEN VOOR BEREIDING	
FA454256	Handalcohol 600 ml	
FA060905	Chloorheiddine 0,5% in aloshol 70% 250 ml	
FA772790	1 steriel veld	
FA1066342	Steriele gazskompressen 1x 5 stuks	
FA375147	2 roze nasiden 18G	
FA324008	2 spulten van 50 ml	
FA511824	Water voor injectie glas 100 mil	
FA431411	1 Infuus NaCl 0.9% 250 ml	
FA1161344	Vancomycine 500 mg	





Adverse events during OPAT

Adverse reactions: up to 25%

Discontinue therapy: up to 10%

Readmission rates: 4%-12%

Unplanned advice: 6%

Unscheduled home visits: 6%





8. Clinical and laboratory monitoring

- Administration of antimicrobials
- Infection
 - Fever, rubor, calor, tumor, dolor, (specific for each infection)
 - CRP
 - ...
- Adverse events
 - Catheter related
 - Antibiotic-associated
- => Protocol for trouble shooting for each adverse event or problem





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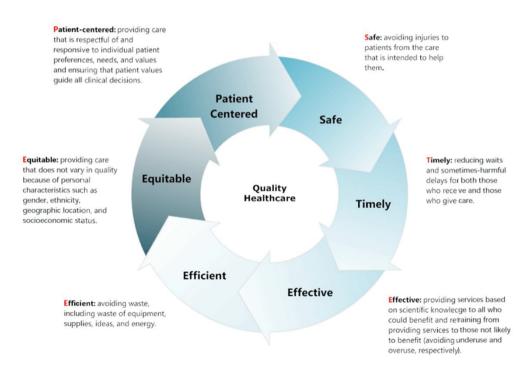




Monitoring quality of care

- Clinical and bacterial infection status
- Antibiotic use
- Vascular acces
- Patient perceptions

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