

Survey

Please circle one answer for each question.

- Have you participated in this survey before?
Yes No
- What is your clinical profession?
RN MD NP PA Other
- Which statement best describes your experience applying a DiskCover to your stethoscope?
Very hard Hard Not hard or easy Easy Very easy
- Compared to a disposable stethoscope, your stethoscope with a DiskCover performs?
Much worse Slightly worse No difference Slightly better Much better
- How often do you clean your stethoscope with alcohol for 60 secs (per CDC recommendations)?
After each pt. After a few pts. Daily Weekly Monthly Never
- Does the DiskCover System impact your workflow?
Significantly disrupt Slightly disrupt No impact Slightly improve Significantly improve
- As an alternative to cleaning between patients, how do you think the DiskCover System will impact STETHOSCOPE HYGIENE COMPLIANCE among the medical staff?
Significantly worsen Slightly worsen No impact Slightly improve Significantly improve
- How do you think the DiskCover system will impact PATIENT SAFETY?
Significantly worsen Slightly worsen No impact Slightly improve Significantly improve
- Where is the DiskCover System best placed for optimum workflow and stethoscope hygiene compliance?
As close to the patient as possible
Outside the patient's room
In the same place as the hand hygiene
At the nursing station
- Based on your experience with the DiskCover System, and as compared to your current practice, do you see applicability of touch-free dispensing as valuable for other infection vectors (ultrasound probes, hands, etc.)?
Absolutely not No Maybe Yes Absolutely yes
- Additional comments and feedback:

Thank you!

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Changing the use of isolated urine-culture testing with diagnostic testing stewardship

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Background: Urine testing is one of the more frequently ordered diagnostic tests among hospitalized patients. Many hospitals have implemented urinalysis with reflex culture (UARC) as a method of diagnostic testing stewardship to guide appropriate use of urine testing. Isolated urine culture, or urine culture without preceding urinalysis, is the most appropriate diagnostic test for patients who are neutropenic, pregnant, or those about to undergo an invasive urologic procedures. This testing is often used beyond these indications in hospitals though, potentially leading to over-diagnosis of UTI and overtreatment of asymptomatic bacteriuria. **Methods:** We compared outcomes in the preimplementation period (December 2018–November 2019) to those in the postintervention period (December 2019–October 2020) at an academic medical center. The intervention was the addition of an indication selection (ie pregnancy, neutropenia, etc) to the isolated urine-culture order in the electronic medical record (EMR). The primary outcomes were isolated urine culture rate per 1,000 patient days and urine-culture positivity. Our exploratory analysis included a review of selected indications after the intervention was implemented and a chart review of a subset of these tests for

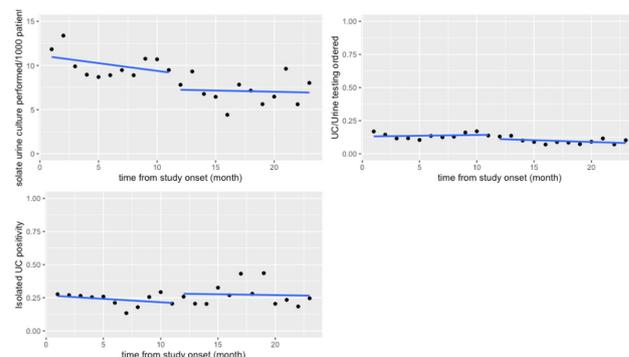


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appropriateness. The primary analysis was performed using interrupted time-series negative binomial regression. **Results:** There was no significant change in isolated urine-culture rates after the intervention (11.18 cultures per 1,000 patient days before the intervention versus to 7.75 cultures per 1,000 patient days after the intervention; $P > .90$), and there were as no significant pre- or postintervention trends. We detected no significant change in isolated urine-culture positivity: 26.9% before the intervention versus 26.7% after the intervention ($P > .90$). These results are shown graphically in Fig. 1. In the exploratory analysis, of 661 isolated urine-culture tests ordered in the postintervention period, the indication for testing was left blank in 71.9% of tests. The other most common reasons for testing included other (16%), pregnancy (5.7%), and neutropenia (4.4%). In the 100 tests reviewed for appropriateness, only 8% had a documented diagnosis corresponding with the selected indication for testing. **Discussion:** The addition of an indication selection for isolated urine culture testing did not change the rates of culture ordering or the culture's subsequent likelihood of positivity. In the exploratory analysis, most providers were incorrectly selecting this testing rather than UARC as prompted. Next steps could potentially be removing the "other" category and requiring a selected answer or requiring approval from stewardship team prior to ordering. Continued education of providers is paramount to the appropriate use of diagnostic testing.

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Risk factors for candidemia: A case-control study

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Background: *Candida* bloodstream infections (candidemia) have significant mortality and morbidity rates, as well as healthcare cost implications. Emerging multidrug-resistant *Candida* spp such as *Candida auris*, as well as increasing resistance among non-*albicans* species, which are becoming more prevalent, also raise concern. Understanding the epidemiology of this infection could enhance prevention and management efforts. We studied risk factors for candidemia. **Methods:** This matched case-control study was conducted at a university hospital from December 2019 through May 2021. Cases of candidemia were identified using positive blood-culture results. Controls were matched 5:1 to cases by age, sex, and month and year of admission. Risk factors of interest included total parenteral nutrition (TPN), central venous access (CVA), neutropenia, *Clostridium difficile*, pancreatic disease, *Candida* in urine culture, cancer, invasive procedures, H₂ blockers, chemotherapy,