

S1 Appendix. Focus group question and discussion guides

Table A Question and discussion guide for focus groups with surgeons, anaesthetists and pharmacists

Number	Question	Approximate time allocation (mins)
Q1	Can you tell us who decides what prophylaxis is given and who administers it? Who is ultimately responsible for this decision?	5
Q2	How is this decision for SAP made?	5
Q3	Do you routinely check if antibiotics have been given at the right time? Do you check if they are stopped at 24 hours?	5
Q4	Current recommendations suggest SAP should be administered within 60 minutes of knife-to-skin. Does this fit in with the general workflow in the theatre?	5
Q5	Recent WHO and CDC guidelines now recommend a single dose of SAP for all clean-contaminated procedures. What are your thoughts on this? Will this change practice?	5
Q6	Finally, how can SAP prescribing be improved?	5
Q7	Any other comments you wish to make?	5

Table B Question and discussion guide for focus groups with nurses

Number	Question	Approximate time allocation (mins)
Q1	Can you tell us who decides what prophylaxis is given and who administers it? Who is ultimately responsible for this decision?	5
Q2	How is this decision for SAP made?	5
Q3	Is there a role for nurses in relation to SAP?	5
Q4	Do you routinely check if antibiotics have been given at the right time? Do you check if they are stopped at 24 hours?	5
Q5	Current recommendations suggest SAP should be administered within 60 minutes of knife-to-skin. Does this fit in with the general workflow in the theatre?	5
Q6	Recent WHO and CDC guidelines now recommend a single dose of SAP for all clean-contaminated procedures. What are your thoughts on this? Will this change practice?	5
Q7	Finally, how can SAP prescribing be improved? Should nurses be involved? How can nurses be involved?	5
Q8	Any other comments you wish to make?	5

