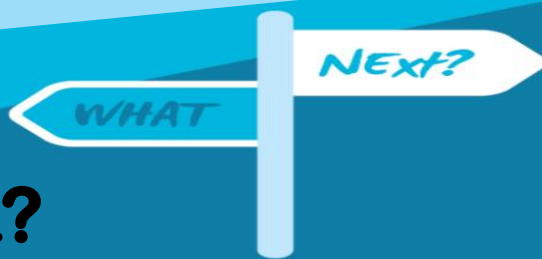


What should I do next?



If dose of ANTIMICROBIAL is overdue because of unpreventable events

e.g. tissue venflon, work pressures, higher priorities causing delay in drug rounds

STEP 1

Once the delaying factor has been resolved, **administer the due dose as soon as able**

STEP 2

After this dose has been given, check when the next dose is due- refer to the chart below

Dosing Regimen		
Once a day	CHECK: Is it 12 hours or <u>MORE</u> until the next prescribed dose?	
	YES	NO
	Give next dose at time it is prescribed, do NOT delay it	<u>OMIT</u> the next prescribed dose, then continue as usual
Twice a day e.g. 7am & 10pm 8am & 8pm 10am & 10pm	CHECK: Is it 6 hours or <u>MORE</u> until the next prescribed dose?	
	YES	NO
	Give next dose at time it is prescribed, do NOT delay it	<u>OMIT</u> the next prescribed dose, then continue as usual
Three times a day Four times a day e.g. 7am, 12noon & 10pm 7am, 4pm & 10pm 7am, 12noon, 4pm & 10pm 6am, 12noon, 6pm, 12midnight	CHECK: Is it 4 hours or <u>MORE</u> until the next prescribed dose?	
	YES	NO
	Give next dose at time it is prescribed, do NOT delay it	<u>OMIT</u> the next prescribed dose, then continue as usual
Five times a day Six times a day	CHECK: Is it 2 hours or <u>MORE</u> until the next prescribed dose?	
	YES	NO
	Give next dose at time it is prescribed, do NOT delay it	<u>OMIT</u> the next prescribed dose, then continue as usual

STEP 3

Add a comment on HEPMA and document in medical notes reason(s) for the delay

Do NOT ask prescribers to adjust HEPMA timings due to missed doses.

If in doubt, speak to a pharmacist or doctor