



NNCCG COMPARED TO ALL CCGS

The graph shows the number of Trimethoprim items prescribed to patients aged 70 years plus, per 1,000 patient list size for 12 months to April 2021.

The highlighted bar line represents Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG with 47 items of Trimethoprim issued compared to 84 items England value (broken line).

Due to increased Trimethoprim resistance locally, it is no longer recommended for empiric treatment when risk factors for resistance are present (including age >65 years). **KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

See links below for more resources

[UTI Resource Suite](#)

[Leaflets to Share with Patients](#) (also comes in different languages)

1. [UTI leaflet V23.4—fully referenced](#)
2. [Pharmacy Antibiotic Checklist V2.0](#)

[Resources for clinical and waiting areas](#)

1. [Keep Antibiotics Working Leaflet Poster 1](#)
2. [Keep Antibiotics Working Leaflet Poster 2](#)

NEWS

◆ Vancomycin for the Treatment of *Clostridium difficile*

Some pharmacies are now holding stocks of vancomycin capsules for the treatment of patients with c. diff. The list of pharmacies can be found [here](#).

NICE GUIDELINE RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- ◆ [Secondary Bacterial Infection of Eczema and Other Common Skin Conditions](#)
- ◆ [Acne vulgaris: management \(NG198\)](#)

APC ANTIMICROBIAL GUIDELINE UPDATES

- [Conjunctivitis](#) — following the MHRA update, **chloramphenicol eye drops** can be safely administered to children aged 0 to 2 years where antibiotic drop treatment is indicated.
- [Eczema](#) — updated as per [NICE NG190](#), which includes antibiotic treatment for suspected secondary bacterial infection for eczema.
- [Human and Animal Bites](#) — updated as per [NICE NG184](#)
- [Acute Exacerbation of COPD](#) — Amoxicillin combination dose (with co-amoxiclav) increased to 500mg TDS if reported sensitivity to co-amoxiclav is "I". Microbiology interpreting sensitivity results can be found [here](#).
- [Otitis media](#) — Updated doses and age brackets