

Diarrhea Care Pathway

Prevention

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For irinotecan-induced diarrhea, follow institutional standards

Suggest probiotics not be used routinely for prevention of *Clostridioides difficile* infection

Assessment

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Assess possible causal factors such as pathogens, drugs or radiation

Send stool sample for microbiological investigation

Assess routinely using [SSPedi](#)

Mild Bother
(SSPedi score = a little)

Moderate Bother
(SSPedi score = medium)

Severe Bother
(SSPedi score = a lot or extremely)

Allocate resources based on severity of bother and according to the preferences and capabilities of the patient

Treatment

Treatment and Resources

Infective Gastroenteritis

If not dehydrated, allow milk and solid food
Discourage fruit juices and carbonated drinks until diarrhea resolved

Treat identified causes

Consult ID as appropriate

Do not use antidiarrheal medications

Clostridioides difficile Infection (CDI)

Antibiotics for Initial Treatment

If **non-severe** CDI, use either metronidazole or oral vancomycin

If **severe** CDI, use oral vancomycin

Consider using fidaxomicin for the treatment of recurrent CDI

Suggest monoclonal antibodies not be used routinely

Suggest probiotics not be used routinely

Do not routinely use fecal microbiota transplantation

Non-microbiological Associated

Treat identified non-microbiological causes

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Care Pathway

SSPedi: Symptom Screening in Pediatrics



Please tell us how much each of these things **bothered** you **yesterday or today** by ticking the circle that best describes the amount it bothered you:

	Not at all bothered	A little	Medium	A lot	Extremely bothered
Feeling disappointed or sad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling scared or worried	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling cranky or angry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Problems with thinking or remembering things	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Changes in how your body or face look	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling tired	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mouth sores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Headache	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hurt or pain (other than headache)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tingly or numb hands or feet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Throwing up or feeling like you may throw up	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling more or less hungry than you usually do	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Changes in taste	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Constipation (hard to poop)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Diarrhea (watery, runny poop)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please tell us about any other things that have bothered you lately by writing about them here.