

UNC OPAT Program

What is OPAT?

Outpatient Parenteral Antibiotic Therapy (IV antibiotics at home)

What is the OPAT Team?

- Multidisciplinary team of ID pharmacists, nurses and doctors who systematically monitor a patient's progress and safety while receiving OPAT.
- The UNC OPAT team reviews/documents lab tests weekly and helps address antibiotic and infusion-related issues that arise during an outpatient IV antibiotic course.

Who is eligible for the OPAT team?

1. Patient admitted to Med K or seen by ID consult team
2. Planned to receive home IV antibiotics for ≥ 14 days
3. Not on hemodialysis or being discharged to an inpatient facility (SNF, LTAC, etc)
4. Does not have another provider (outside ID MD, transplant, oncology) who is able to follow labs

How to refer a patient to the OPAT team?

1. Send an email to OPAT@listserv.med.unc.edu
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2. Include the following information:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Patient name and MRN:-Diagnosis:-Antibiotic name (and dose, if non-standard):-Start date:-End date and Total Duration:-Is follow-up imaging needed?:-One-liner (include info re: unusual management decisions):
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3. ~~Send at least one full business day before discharge~~

Questions?

Email: OPAT@listserv.med.unc.edu