Clostridium Difficile

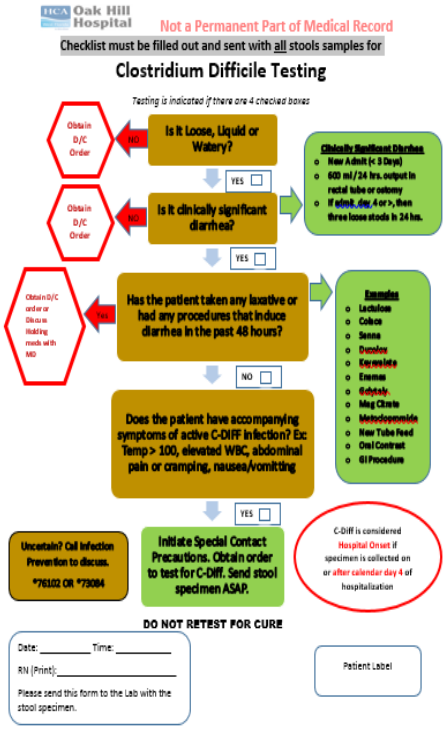
Algorithm GO LIVE!!!

Starting September 4th C-Diff specimen must be sent with the new C-Diff Algorithm.

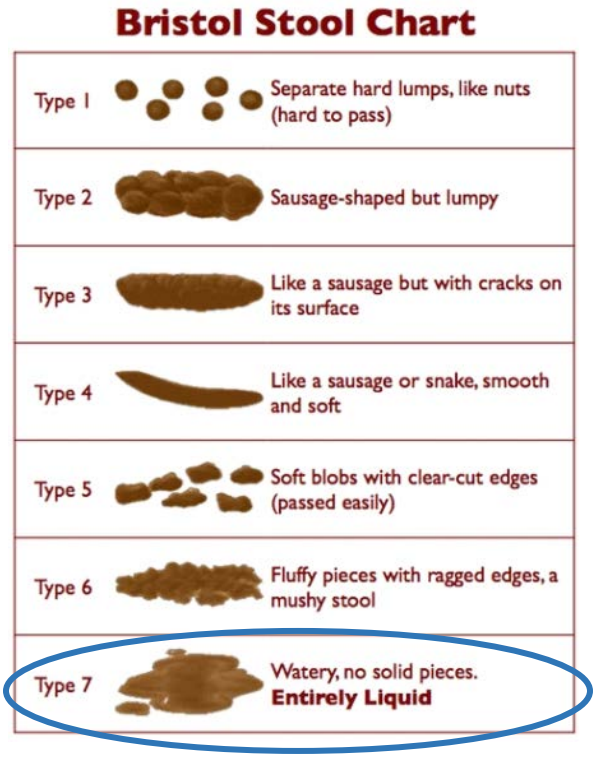
Here's what to do:

- Once the patient is symptomatic make sure an order is in Meditech
- Collect the specimen and check the boxes on the form
- If the patient has any contra-indications the nurse is required to obtain a D/C order from the physician
- A patient label will go on the form
- The nurse with put her name on the form and it will go with the specimen to the lab

Here's what the form look like:



Here's what the stool should look like: #7



*****PLEASE NOTE: STOOL MUST BE LIQUID AND TAKE THE SHAPE OF THE CONTAINER. COLLECTION DATE MUST BE COLLECTED NO LATER THAN DAY 3. THE DAY OF ADMISSION BEING DAY 1.