

Monitoring and Reporting Adverse Events

Standard Process to Identify Infections and Calculate Surgical Site Infection Rates

- Identifying infection.
 - Look for signs and symptoms of infection which include red, hot, swollen, tender area, with possible drainage of pus from the wound.
 - Temperature of over 38 degrees.
 - Elevated white blood cell count (if possible)
- Surgical site infection is calculated as incidence of infection per cases performed over set period of time

Mechanism of Surveillance and Review of Post-Op Infections

- All patients are examined at the time of their follow-up visits for signs and symptoms of infection.
- Any and all signs are recorded in the patient chart.
- When a diagnosis of infection is confirmed, the incident will be recorded in the Adverse Event Log Book.
- The Medical Director will be notified immediately, verbally and in writing within 24 hrs.
- The Medical Director will then review Adverse Events on per case basis, and the log is reviewed on annual basis.