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Surveillance Method:

An infection follow-up inquiry will be done on all surgical patients. These will be processed by the Quality Coordinator. Quarterly reports from these findings will be presented to the Quality Management Committee and the Medical Executive Committee/Governing Body.

Evaluation of Surveillance Findings

The Quality Coordinator will review surveillance findings quarterly and report to the Quality Management Committee.

The Quality Coordinator will prepare a quarterly statistical report for all possible infections to assist in determining any possible trending. This report will be presented at the quarterly Quality Management meeting.

Physician Follow-up

Each month the Quality Coordinator/designee will contact each physician with a list of patients done the previous month, requesting if an infection/complication was noted. When an infection is reported, an Infection Report form will be completed and actions taken documented.

An incident report will be completed for each infection and statistics compiled and reported on the monthly Risk Management Report. (Report the infection on the month that the individual infection was discovered/reported, not the month in which the date of surgery occurred.)