

# Galway: GAPP - Galway Antimicrobial Prescribing Policy / Guidelines (GAPP): Intracolonic Vancomycin

## Intracolonic Vancomycin

1. **Requires Microbiology or Infectious Diseases approval**
2. Adapted from University of Washington
3. **Adjunctive** therapy for failing Vancomycin therapy in **severe** CDI
  - 500mg of Vancomycin injection is reconstituted and added to 100ml of NaCl 0.9%
  - An 18G Foley catheter is inserted per rectum and the balloon is inflated
  - The Vancomycin solution is instilled into the rectum and retained for 60 minutes by clamping the catheter
  - Once retention time complete, the catheter is unclamped, the balloon deflated and the catheter removed
  - The process is repeated every 6 hours