

# INPLASY PROTOCOL

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## INTRODUCTION

**Review question / Objective:** The purpose of this study is to systematically review the previous studies on the use of quality improvement methods to reduce the use of antibiotics in neonates, and summarize the intervention measures, outcome indicators, process indicators, and balance indicators so that that experience can be replicated.

**Condition being studied:** All personnel involved in the study receive strict scientific research training.

## METHODS

**Participant or population:** The subjects were newborns hospitalized in the neonatal ward or neonatal intensive care unit.

**Intervention:** Use quality improvement methods.

## Applying Quality Improvement Methods to Reduce Antibiotic Use in Neonates: A Systematic Review

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**Information sources:** PubMed, Embase, Cochrane Library, Clinicaltrials.Gov, Chinese National Knowledge Infrastructure Database (CNKI), Wanfang Database, Chinese Science Technology Journals Database (VIP), Chinese Clinical Trial Registry (ChiCTR).

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**Comparator:** Baseline period.

**Study designs to be included:** Quality improvement research.

**Eligibility criteria:** 1. The subjects were newborns hospitalized in the neonatal ward or neonatal intensive care unit. 2. Quality improvement research on reducing the use of antibiotics.

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**Main outcome(s):** Use of antibiotics.

**Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis:** QI-MQCS.

**Strategy of data synthesis:** Non-quantitative study.

**Subgroup analysis:** No.

**Sensitivity analysis:** The non-quantitative study, had no sensitivity analysis.

**Country(ies) involved:** China.

**Keywords:** Newborn, Anti-Bacterial Agents, Quality Improvement.

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