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- 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

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