

Galway: GAPP - Galway Antimicrobial Prescribing Policy / Guidelines (GAPP): Tapered pulsed oral Vancomycin

Tapered Pulsed Oral Vancomycin

1. **Requires Microbiology or Infectious Diseases approval**
2. Use vancomycin injection to prepare oral solution for inpatients – see IV Guide
3. Prescribe vancomycin capsules on discharge. Note: Expensive – not routinely stocked in community. Please contact ward and community pharmacy at least 24hrs prior to discharge to arrange supply.

Vancomycin

- 125mg every 6 hours for 1 week, then
- 125mg every 12 hours for 1 week, then
- 125mg once daily for 1 week, then
- 125mg every second day for 1 week, then
- 125mg every three days for 2 weeks.