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AMS Programme Observership	
Institution:	Department of Infectious Diseases, University Medical Centre Ljubljana
Type of institution:	Teaching hospital
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Description of the department and profile of competence:	Department of Infectious Diseases is a part of University Medical Centre Ljubljana (UMC), a large university hospital with 2200 beds. The Department provides care for 80 inpatients, adults and children, it has its own intensive care unit that is the only specialized ID intensive care unit in Europe, emergency room and clinics. It also provides ID consultancy and antimicrobial stewardship programme for the UMC. Antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) programme has been developed since 1998. It consists of a network of ID physicians covering all departments of UMC with the support of pharmacists and external high level microbiology service.
Description of your AMS programme:	AMS programme covers 2000-bed teaching hospitals. It is steered by a multidisciplinary Antibiotic Committee that adopts local guidelines and surveys antimicrobial use and resistance. The team consists of ID physicians, pharmacists are involved in the management of restricted antimicrobials and occasionally bed-side consultations. Regular AMS rounds are in place in neurosurgery, traumatology, orthopedics, thoracic surgery, cardiovascular surgery, abdominal surgery, neurology, nephrology, medical and surgical ICU. Phone and bed-side consultations are also available for other units for the authorisation of restricted antimicrobials and other AMS and ID consultations.
What can the trainee expect:	The trainee will be involved in regular daily activities of the AMS team such as antibiotic rounds and visits. He/she will be able to learn about various aspects of antimicrobial stewardship in a large hospital that include typical AMS interventions such as shortening the duration of therapy, iv to oral switch, de-escalation, as well as antibiotic treatment of complex cases with bone infections, infections in transplant and other immunocompromized patients, infections in critically ill patients.
Description of mandatory rules for providing access:	The official language is Slovenian but at least some English is spoken by most of hospital personnel. There are no special requirements for the visit. The visitors are obliged to sign a contract with the hospital administration, that defines the conduct of the visitor in the hospital.
Language of the conducted observership:	English, Slovenian