Symptomatic bacteriuria (occurs in 17-20%) of pregnancies

B  Treat with an antibiotic.
  - Take a single urine sample for culture before empiric antibiotic treatment is started.
  - Refer to local guidance for advice on the choice of antibiotic for pregnant women.
  - A urine culture should be performed seven days after completion of antibiotic treatment as a test of cure.

Screening for asymptomatic bacteriuria

A  Standard quantitative urine culture should be performed routinely at first antenatal visit.

A  Do not use dipstick testing to screen for bacterial UTI at first or subsequent visits.

Culture positive?  NO  YES

A  Confirm the presence of bacteriuria in urine with a second urine culture.

A  Treat asymptomatic bacteriuria detected during pregnancy with an antibiotic.
  - Refer to local guidance for advice on the choice of antibiotic for pregnant women.
  - A urine culture should be performed seven days after completion of antibiotic treatment as a test of cure.

C  Repeat urine culture at each antenatal visit until delivery.

Women who do not have bacteriuria in the first trimester do not require a second sample.