

Antimicrobial Resistance

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Objectives

- Highlight the burden of antimicrobial resistance (AMR)
- Discuss factors contributing to the emergence of AMR
- Review common pathogens displaying AMR

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

"If we do not act to address the problem of AR, we may lose quick and reliable treatment of infections that have been a manageable problem in the United States since the 1940s. <u>Drug choices for the treatment of common infections will become increasingly limited and expensive - and, in some cases, nonexistent."</u>

-A Public Health Action Plan to Combat Antimicrobial Resistance

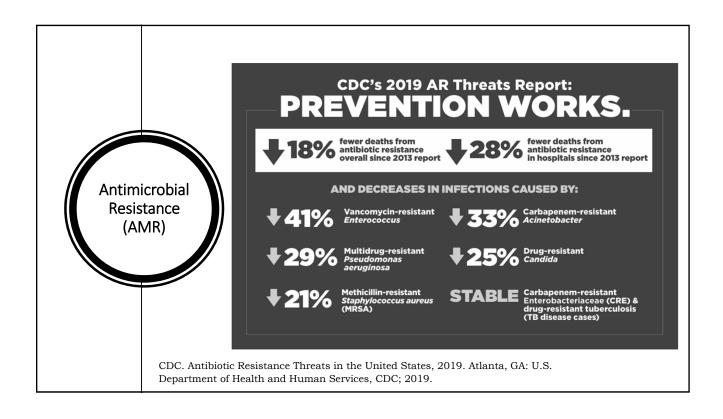
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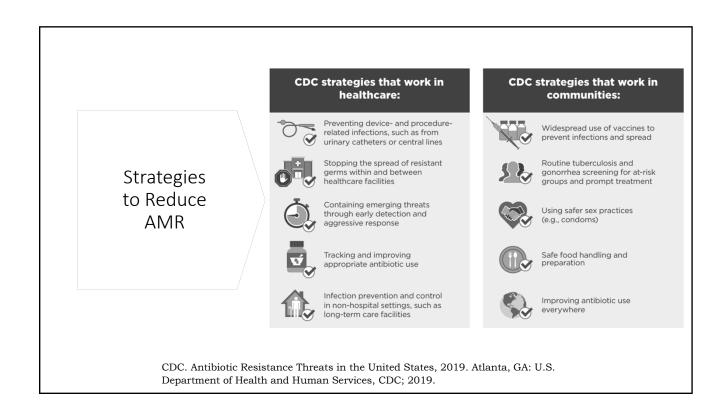
Background

- Antibiotics are unlike any other agent in that use in one patient can compromise efficacy in another
- Prevalent use
 - 200-300 million antibiotic prescriptions annually
 - 45% outpatient
- 25-40% of hospitalized patients receive antibiotics
 - 10-70% are unnecessary or sub-optimal
 - 5% of hospitalized patients who receive antibiotics experience an adverse reaction
- Changes in antibiotic use are paralleled by changes in resistance patterns

Klevens et al. *Public Health Rep.* 2007;122(2):160-166. Stone et al. *Am J Inf Control*. 2005;33(9);542-547.

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AMR Challenges

Despite these gains, CDC's 2019 AR Threats Report shows additional actions are needed to protect people.

2.8M+ antibiotic-resistant infections each year

35 K+ deaths from antibiotic resistance each year

Plus: 223,900 cases and 12,800 deaths from Clostridioides difficile

AND INCREASES
IN INFECTIONS
CAUSED BY:

4315%

124%

150%

Erythromycin-resistant invasive group A strep

Drug-resistant Neisseria gonorrhoeae ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae

CDC. Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, CDC; 2019.

Challenges in healthcare:



Preventing the spread of germs, including in non-hospital settings such as long-term care facilities



Spread of germs from the healthcare environment (e.g., bedrails, devices, other surfaces)



Incomplete adoption of the Containment Strategy



Inconsistent implementation of some CDC recommendations (e.g., Contact Precautions)



Introduction of emerging threats from outside of the United States



Continued vigilance against serious threats like "nightmare bacteria" CRE

For further progress, the nation must continue to innovate and scale up effective strategies to prevent infections, stop spread, and save lives.

Challenges in the community:



Poor hygiene, such as not keeping hands clean or not wiping properly after toileting or diapering



Spread of resistant threats in the food supply



Inconsistent use of safer sex practices



Few vaccines to prevent infections and spread of resistant threats



Stopping spread of germs in animals



Understanding the role of antibiotic-resistant germs in the environment

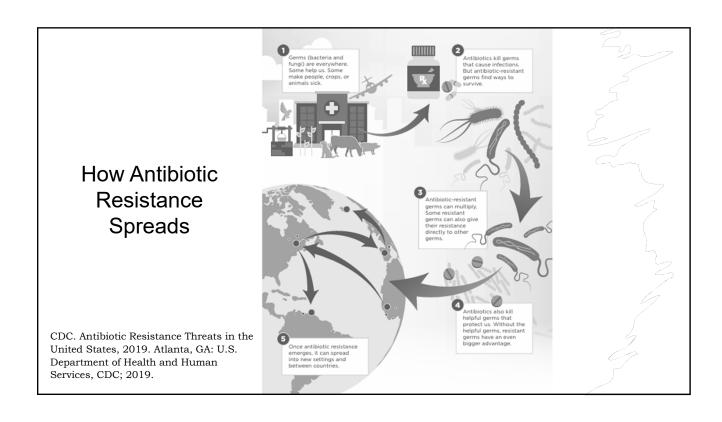


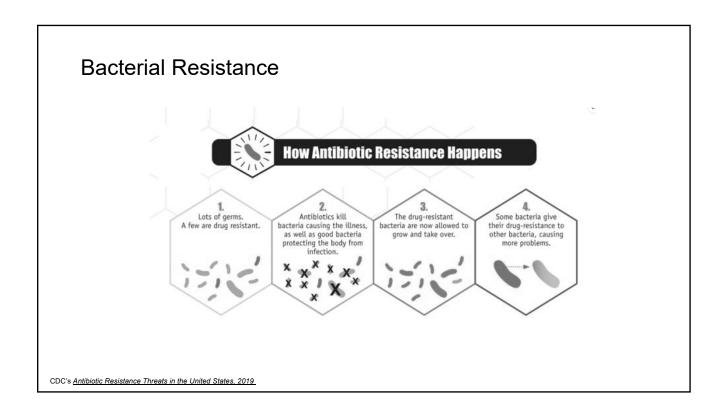
Improving antibiotic use everywhere

Learn more: www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance/ Biggest-Threats





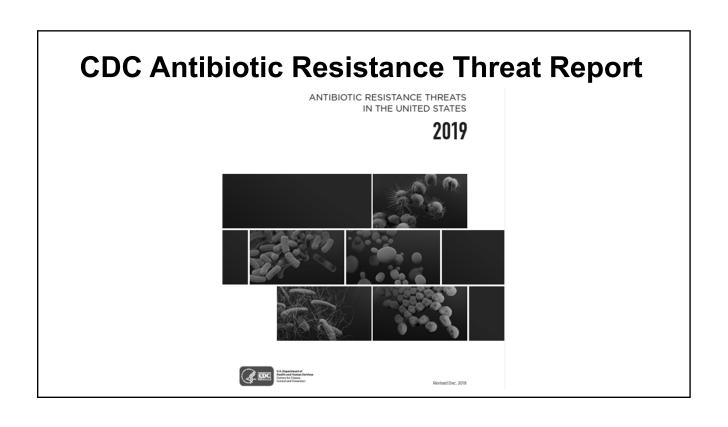


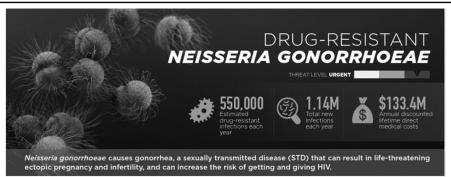


Antibiotic Resistance Can Emerge Quickly

Antibiotic Approved or Released	Year Released	Resistant Germ Identified	Year Identified
Penicillin	1941	Penicillin-resistant S. aureus	1942
Methicillin	1960	MRSA	1960
Extended- spectrum cephalosporins	1980	ESBL-producing <i>E.</i> coli	1983
Daptomycin	2003	Daptomycin- resistant MRSA	2004
Ceftazidime- avibactam	2015	Ceftazidime- avibactam KPC- producing <i>K.</i> pneumoniae	2015

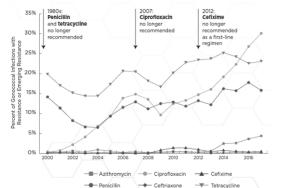


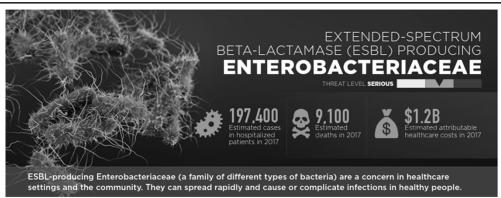




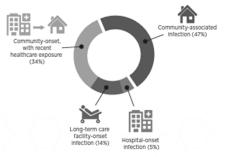
- · Gonorrhea spreads easily & is often asymptomatic
- Can cause serious health issues including ectopic pregnancy and infertility
- Timely diagnosis & routine screening with prompt & effective treatment is crucial
- Ceftriaxone last reliable agent
- CDC STI Treatment Guidelines excellent resource

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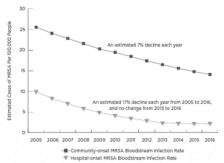
- Infections include UTIs, intra-abdominal infections, pneumonia, and bacteremia
- ESBL enzymes easily spread from one bacteria to another
- · Hydrolyze penicillins and cephalosporins
 - May require hospitalization for IV carbapenem therapy (unless urinary isolate susceptible to PO options) CDC's Antibiotic Resistance Threats in the United States, 2019

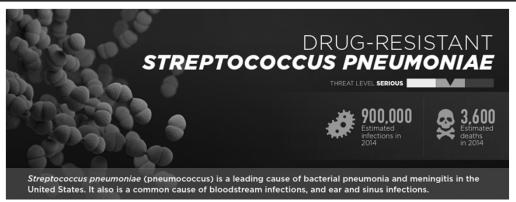




- · Hospital reductions in MRSA have stalled
- Community MRSA infections may be connected to the opioid crisis
- Now resistant to many first-line options including clindamycin

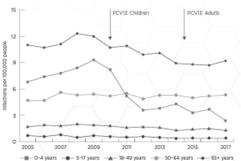
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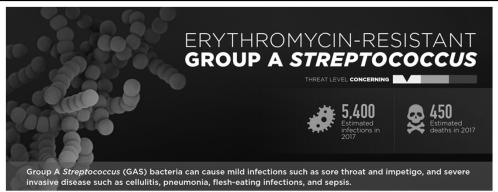




- One of the only drug-resistant bacteria with an effective vaccine to prevent infections
- Encouraging vaccination can slow the spread of pneumococcal resistance
- Resistance to penicillin (PO), tetracycline, and erythromycin common

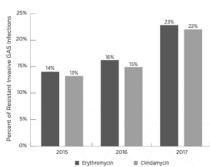
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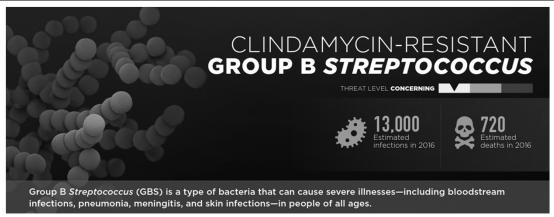




- Implicated in "strep throat"
- No resistance to penicillin/amoxicillin but allergies commonly reported
- Resistance to erythromycin and clindamycin is rising

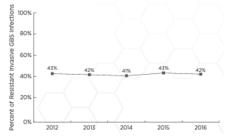
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- Can be passed from mother to infant during labor threatening newborns with sepsis
- Clindamycin resistance limits prevention and treatment options for adults with severe penicillin allergies

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Antimicrobial Stewardship 101

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Objectives

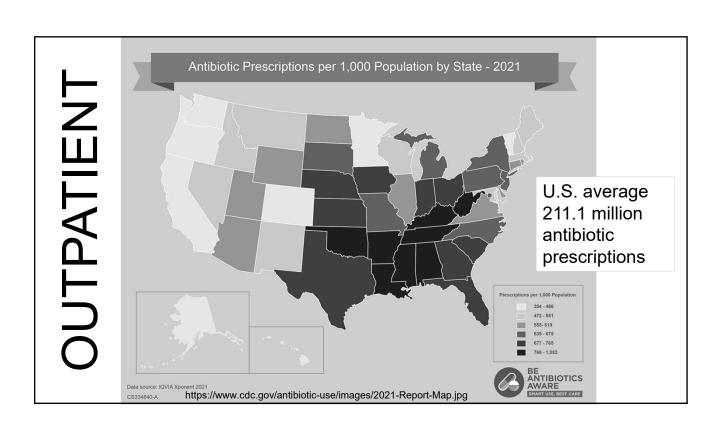
- Examine the core elements of outpatient antimicrobial stewardship
- Discover resources available (QQR codes)
- Discern how to best implement in your clinical setting

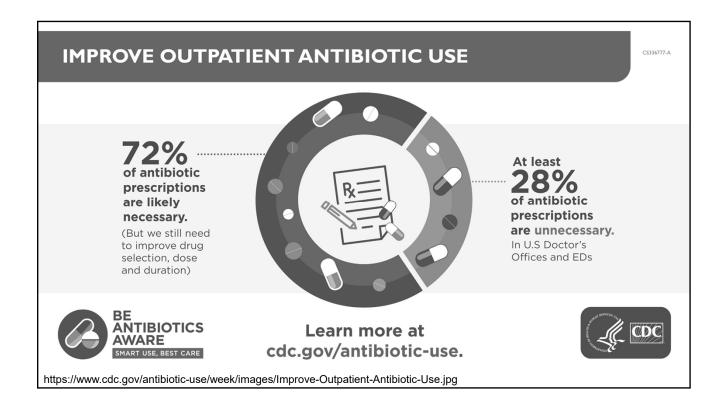


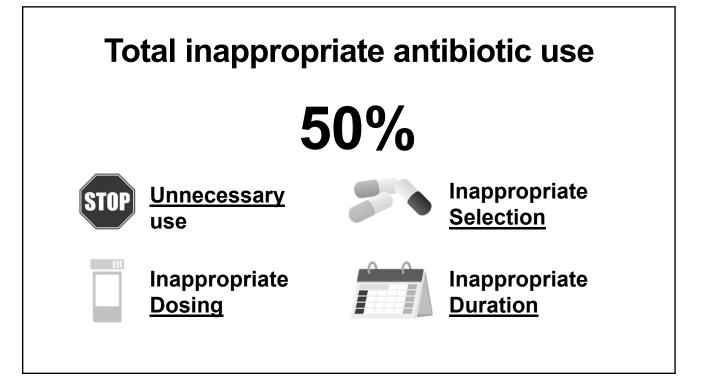
Inpatient Antimicrobial Stewardship

- Required at all hospitals by Joint Commission
- Encountering these efforts daily while rounding
 - · Restricted antimicrobials
 - Prospective audits with intervention & feedback
 - IV to oral conversion of antimicrobials
 - Education
 - Guidelines & clinical pathways



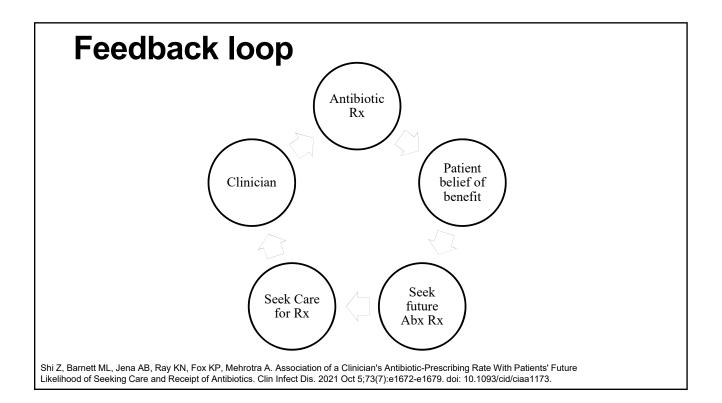


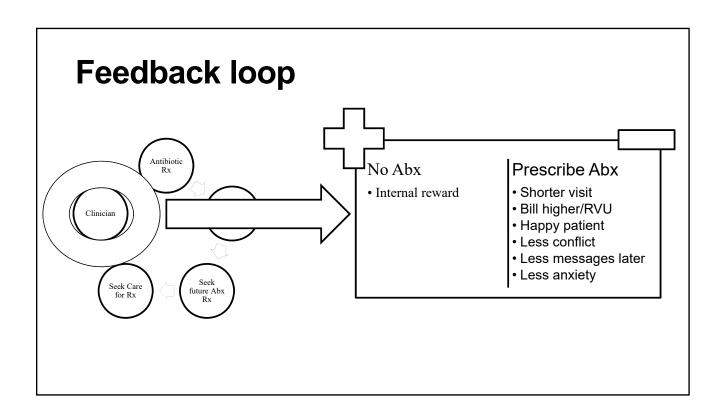


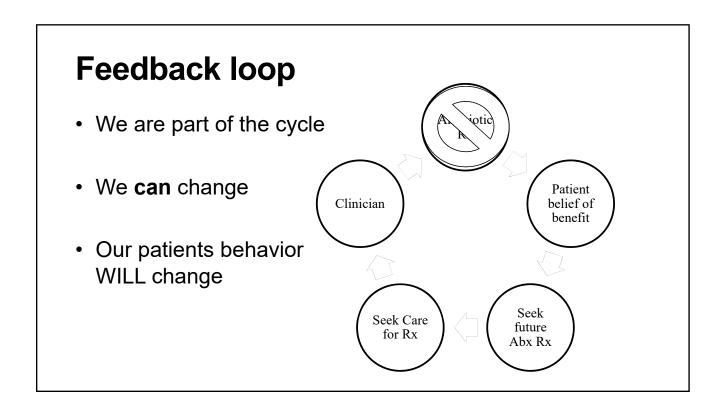


Reasons behind inappropriate Rx

- Primarily psychologically & socially rooted
 - Rx is a **BEHAVIOR**, not a scientific decision
- Lack of awareness
 - Clinicians do not perceive they are prescribing inappropriately
- Misaligned incentives
- Inadequate knowledge regarding guidelines
- Fear from complications of infections
- All complicated by a feedback loop







CDC Core Elements of Outpatient Antimicrobial Stewardship



https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/core-elements/outpatient.html

CDC Core Elements of Outpatient ASP

- Commitment
 - Dedication to appropriate antibiotic prescription & patient safety
- · Action for policy & practice
- Tracking & reporting
- Education & expertise

Commitment

- Display public commitments in support of ASP
- Identify a leader to direct activities within a facility
- Communicate with all clinic staff members to set patient expectations
 - This includes front desk, medical assistants, nurses, administrative staff

Commitment Poster

- In 2014 study by Meeker et al, evaluated use of poster in exam rooms effect on antibiotic prescriptions in acute URI
- Result: 19.7% absolute percentage reduction of inappropriate antibiotic prescribing rate relative to control
 - Results did not diminish over time

Commitment Poster



Antibiotics are powerful, lifesaving medications. We are dedicated to prescribing antibiotics when they are needed, and we will avoid prescribing antibiotics when they are not needed as they may do harm. When your healthcare professional prescribes antibiotics. take them as directed.

Antibiotics fight infections caused by **bacteria**. Antibiotics don't work against **viruses** that cause the common cold, most coughs, and sore throats.

You can experience side effects while taking antibiotics. Common side effects could include a skin rash, diarrhea, or a yeast infection. More serious side effects could include a C.diff infection, which causes severe diarrhea that can lead to severe colon damage and death.

Using antibiotics also gives bacteria a chance to become more resistant to them. This can make future infections harder to treat, which means that antibiotics might not work when you really do need them.

Taking antibiotics only when needed helps keep you healthy, helps fight antibiotic resistance, and ensures that these life-saving drugs will be available for future generations. We will answer any questions about the role of antibiotics in your treatment.

Sincerely,









Soure: cdc.gov

Commitment Poster



Commitment Poster - Minnesota



Commitment Poster - DIY





https://www.health.mn.gov/diseases/antibioticresistance/hcp/commitkit

CDC Core Elements of Outpatient ASP

- Commitment
- Action for policy & practice
 - Implement at least one policy or practice to improve, assess if it works & modify as needed
- Tracking & reporting
- Education & expertise

Action for Policy & Practice

- Use evidence-based diagnostic criteria & treatment recommendations
- Use delayed prescribing practices or watchful waiting, when appropriate
 - Acute otitis media, sinusitis, etc

CDC treatment guidelines

https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/clinicians/adult-treatment-rec.html



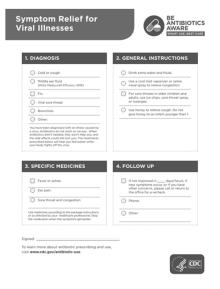
Action for Policy & Practice

- Support for clinical decisions
- Utilizing call centers or RN hotlines as triage to prevent unnecessary visits

Action Over the Counter "Prescription Pad"

- Education for patients on how to manage symptom control in acute respiratory illness
- Improves efficiency for clinician, decreases errors & allows for transaction to occur
 - ALL improve patient satisfaction

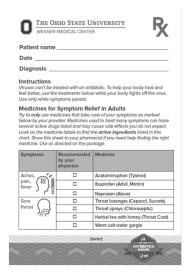
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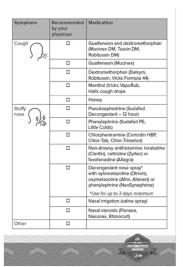




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Over the Counter "Prescription Pad"





CDC Core Elements of Outpatient ASP

- Commitment
- · Action for policy & practice
- Tracking & reporting
 - Monitor antibiotic prescribing practices & offer regular feedback to clinicians or have them monitor themselves
- Education & expertise

Tracking & Reporting

- Self-evaluate antibiotic prescription practices
- Participate in CME & QI activities
- Implement at least one antibiotic prescription tracking & reporting system
- Assess & share performance on quality measures & established reduction goals
 - HEDIS measures

Tracking & Reporting – CDC

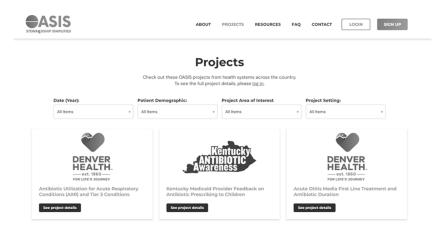




https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/pdfs/Measurement-Evaluation-Improve-Outpatient-508.pdf

Tracking & Reporting

OASIS Stewardship Simplified





https://oasisstewardship.org/

CDC Core Elements of Outpatient ASP

- Commitment
- · Action for policy & practice
- Tracking & reporting
- Education & expertise
 - Provide educational resources to clinicians & patients on antibiotic prescribing
 - Ensure access to needed expertise on optimizing antibiotic prescribing

Education & Expertise

- Educate patients about
 - · when antibiotics are needed & not needed
 - · potential harms of antibiotics treatments
 - · risks of antimicrobial resistance
- Discussing antibiotic allergy versus intolerance
 - Penicillin allergies...



Education & Expertise

Educate patients – CDC infographics

Common Respiratory Infections Do you need antibiotics?











Antibiotics **DO NOT WORK** against viruses that cause the common cold, most chest colds, flu, and COVID-19. Ask your healthcare professional about the best way to feel better while your body fights off the virus.





For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

Education & Expertise

- Communication skills training for clinicians
 - Providers poorly predict when patients want antibiotics
 - DART Dialogue Around Respiratory Illness **Treatment modules**
 - •Free online (directed towards parents of children)
 - •https://www.uwimtr.org/dart/



ASP→ in practice

Patient with pharyngitis

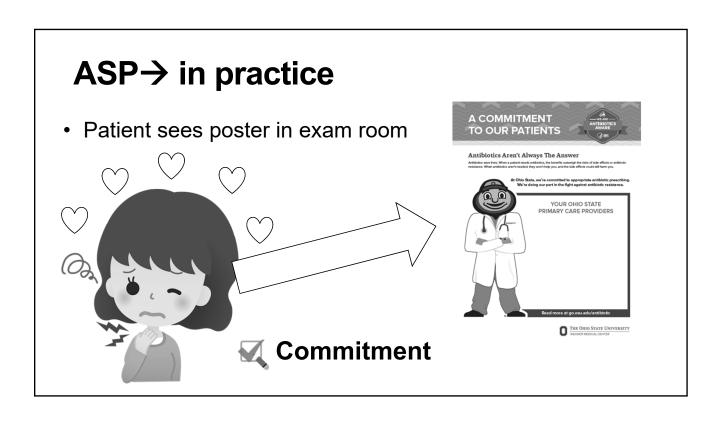


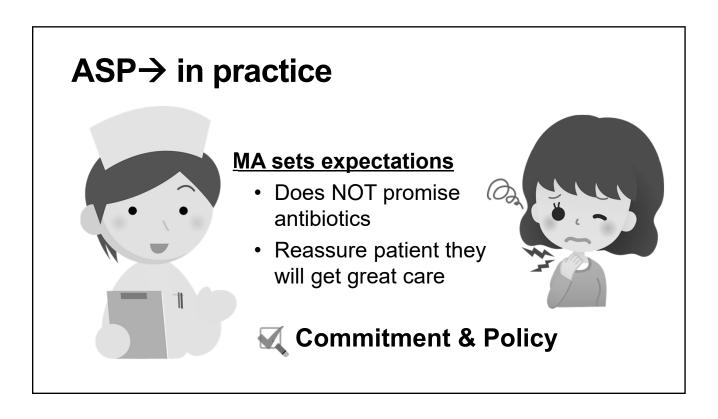
ASP → in practice

- · Patient calls with complaint of sore throat
- Triage line: recommends patient present to clinic for further evaluation









Policy & Practice – pharyngitis 🔍



Evidence based diagnostic criteria

Centor criteria (>2)

- Fever
- Tonsillar exudates [
- Tender cervical lymphadenopathy
- · Absence of cough











Antibiotics recommended

https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/clinicians/adult-treatment-rec.html

Policy & Practice – pharyngitis a



Evidence based treatment



- + Centor → + RADT → Antibiotics for GAS
- Pick the correct antibiotic for the correct duration
- You appropriately select amoxicillin for 10 days... until patient declares PCN allergy

Education – pharyngitis



Discuss allergy further



 Recall GAS antibiotic resistance to azithromycin & clindamycin are increasingly common 💹

Source: cdc.gov

Education – pharyngitis



Discuss allergy further



Decide amoxicillin is safe to use, educate patient AND adjust flag in the chart / EMR 💹



ASP – pharyngitis

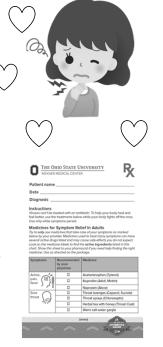






- + Centor → RADT → No Antibiotics
- Astute clinician you suspect it is likely viral
 - Educate patient
 - **Effective Education**
 - Provide supportive care recommendations







Tracking – pharyngitis

- Depending on size of practice this can vary
- Example:
 - Review rapid test results & antimicrobial use
 - · Even small chart review can be beneficial
 - HEDIS measure for pharyngitis
 - OASIS project





