

Untapped Solutions to Expand Antibiotic Stewardship

Can be as close as local pharmacies



**BE
ANTIBIOTICS
AWARE**
SMART USE, BEST CARE

As the harms and costs of antibiotic resistance continue to rise, **community pharmacies offer solutions** to help you address this growing problem.

**PROTECT
YOUR MEMBERS
AGAINST**

INAPPROPRIATE ANTIBIOTIC USE

Did you know?

Nearly **30%** of outpatient antibiotic use is inappropriate.¹

Antibiotic resistance is responsible for:

**2.8 Million
Infections**
in the U.S. annually²

**35,000
Deaths**
in the U.S. annually²

**More than \$1
Trillion Per Year**
Attributable to antibiotic
resistance by 2050
worldwide³

**More than
\$1,400 Per
Hospital Visit**
Attributable to antibiotic
resistance in the U.S.³

Antibiotic Stewardship Impacts Plan Quality HEDIS Measures:



Antibiotic Utilization for Respiratory Conditions (AXR)
Appropriate Testing for Pharyngitis (CWP)
Appropriate Treatment for Upper Respiratory Infection (URI)
Avoidance of Antibiotic Treatment for Acute Bronchitis/Bronchiolitis (AAB)



How Community Pharmacy Partnerships Enhance Antibiotic Stewardship

Community pharmacy-based testing and treatment for common illnesses like COVID-19 and influenza can help direct appropriate therapy, avoid unnecessary antibiotics, and improve access to care at pharmacies.⁴⁻⁶

Community pharmacy-based health and wellness programs can promote improvements in overall patient health.⁷⁻¹⁰

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