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**Session 8 — June 3, 2021**  
**Antimicrobial Stewardship**

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February 25	IP Program Development
March 11	Surveillance and Reporting
March 25	Occupational Health
April 8	Personal Protective Equipment
April 22	Hand Hygiene
May 6	Environmental Cleaning & Disinfection
May 20	Device Reprocessing
<b>June 3</b>	<b>Antimicrobial Stewardship</b>
June 17	Bringing It All Together



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  **Feedback Summary from Previous Session**

### Session #7: Device Reprocessing

**The most useful thing presented included:**

- Information on high-level disinfection, training and competency
- Auditing tools provided and frequency of audits.
- Reprocessing reusable medical equipment.
- I'm new(ish) in this role and it was all great information.
- LOVED the resources

**Next steps identified by participants:**

- Review our training documentation. Make sure that competencies are done and documented.
- Implementing a minimum of HLD rounding.
- Use the audit tools provided to develop tracers and perform more frequently.
- Share evidence-based guidelines with our reprocessing department and surgical services manager.
- Share colonoscope cleaning tool with person in charge of cleaning it.
- Hang time risk assessment.
- Look into our access to IFUs per department.
- Gap analysis.
- Check for AER routine maintenance.
- QA in CS processing.

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  **Session #8: Antimicrobial Stewardship**

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  **Session #8: Antimicrobial Stewardship**

## Session Objectives

1. Review the state of antimicrobial stewardship in the clinic setting
2. Evidence in support of antimicrobial stewardship
3. Review the core elements of outpatient stewardship
4. Identify and strategize how to overcome some of the outpatient stewardship challenges

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  **Session #8: Antimicrobial Stewardship**

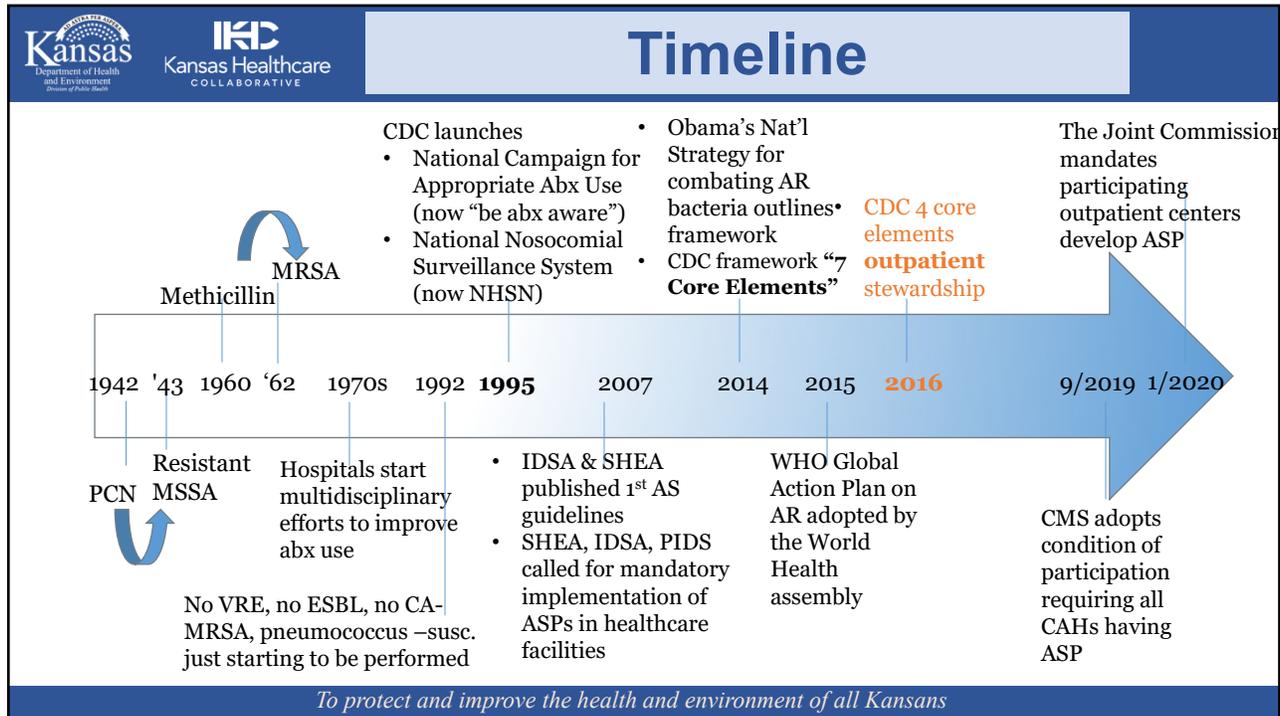
## Polling Question

Does your facility have an antimicrobial stewardship program?

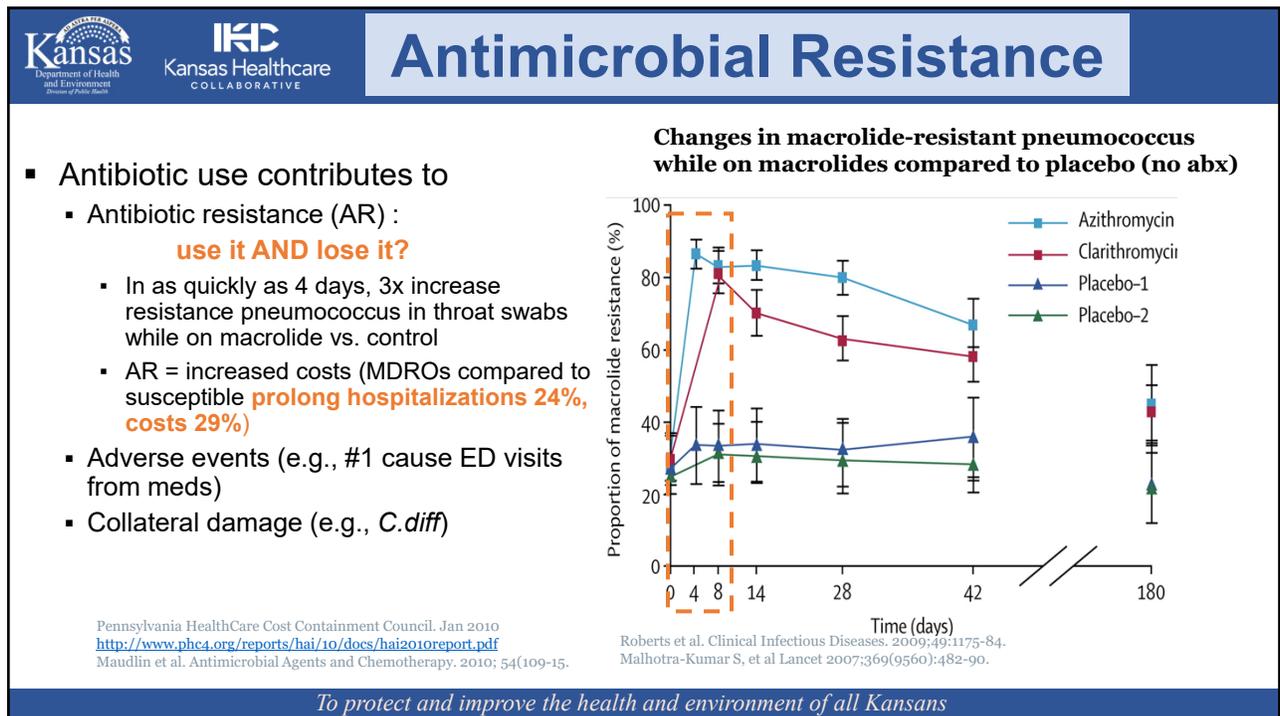
- Yes - program is well established
- Yes - still building
- Will soon – we’re actively working toward it
- No – need information
- A What?

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## Antimicrobial Resistance's Toll

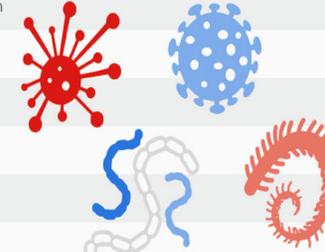
**AR annually contributes to:**

- Deaths
  - 23,000 (US)
  - 700,000 (global)
- Infections (MDROs)
  - 2 million (US)
  - 10 million (global)
  - 453,000 *C.diff* infections → 30,000 deaths (US)
- Costs
  - \$55 billion added costs (US)
  - \$100 trillion (global)

*equiv. to a 2008 financial crisis every year*

**Deaths From Drug-Resistant Infections Set To Skyrocket**  
Deaths from antimicrobial resistant infections and other causes in 2050

Antimicrobial resistant infections	10.0m
Cancer	8.2m
Diabetes	1.5m
Gastrointestinal disease	1.4m
Road traffic accidents	1.2m
Measles	130,000
Cholera	120,000
Tetanus	60,000



Worldbank; Smith R, Coast J., The true cost of antimicrobial resistance. BMJ 2013(346)  
O'Neill J. Tackling drug-resistant infections globally - AMR review. 2016; [https://amr-review.org/sites/default/files/160518\\_Final%20paper\\_with%20cover.pdf](https://amr-review.org/sites/default/files/160518_Final%20paper_with%20cover.pdf)

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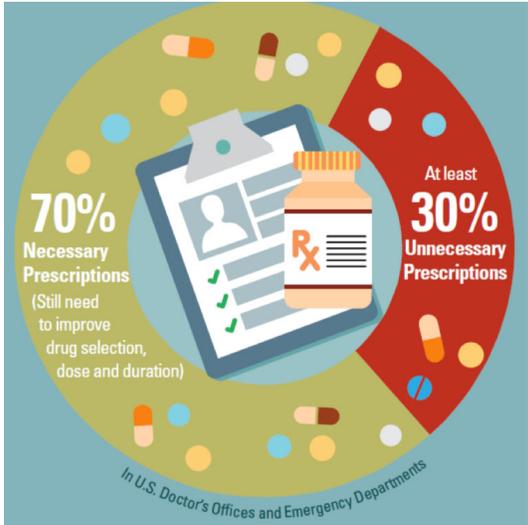
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## Ambulatory Prescribing

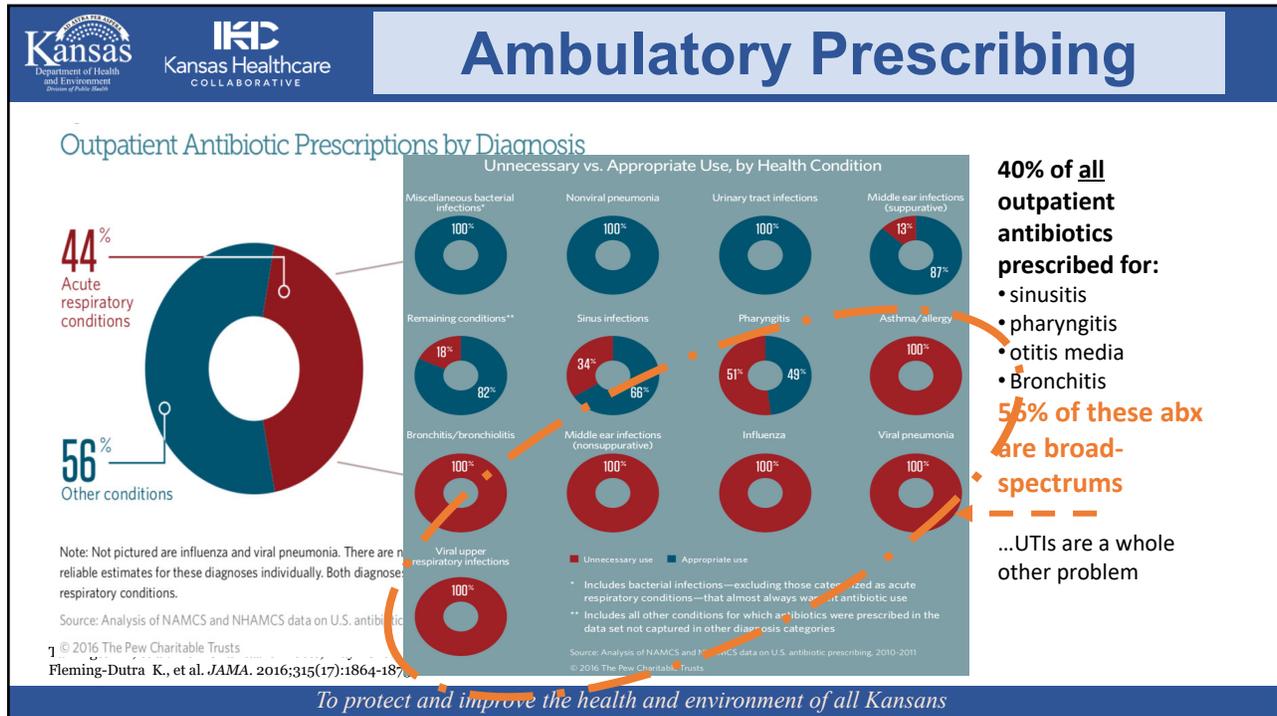
- Ambulatory Antimicrobials:
  - 30-40% of abx unnecessary
  - Abx most commonly Rx'd medicine (**15% all visits**)
  - **60% of total US abx expenditures (\$10.7 billion)**



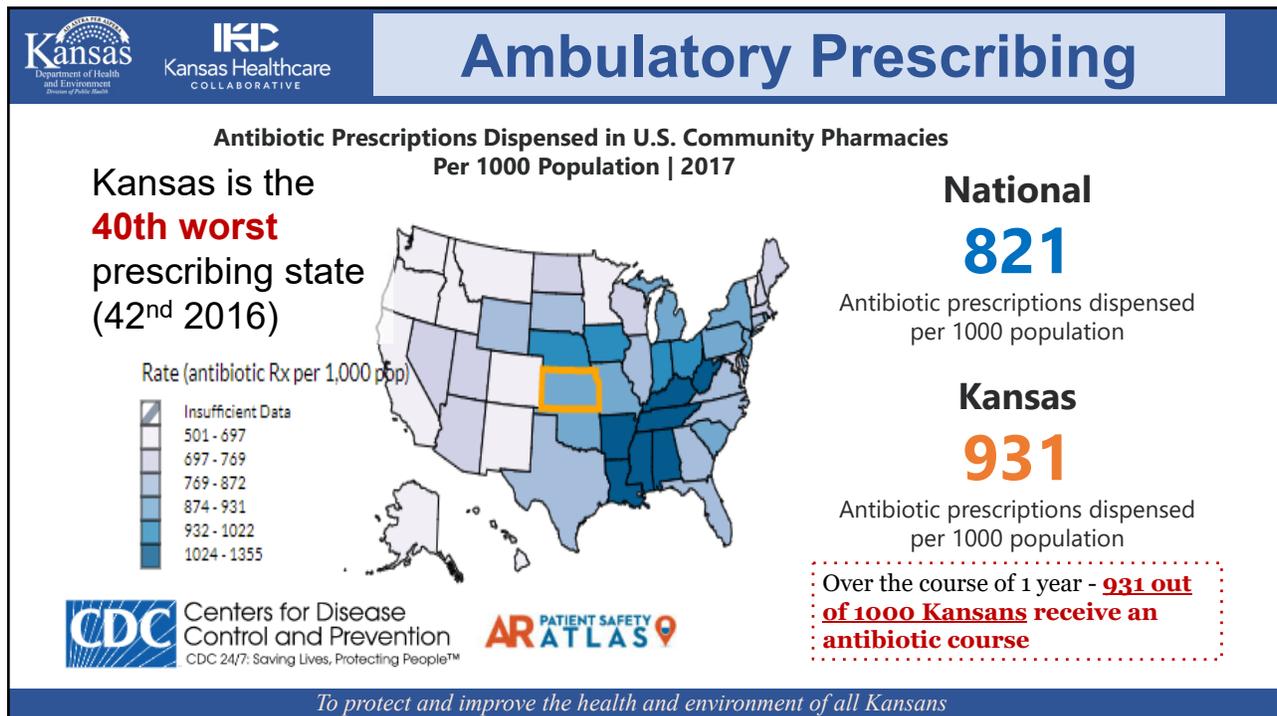
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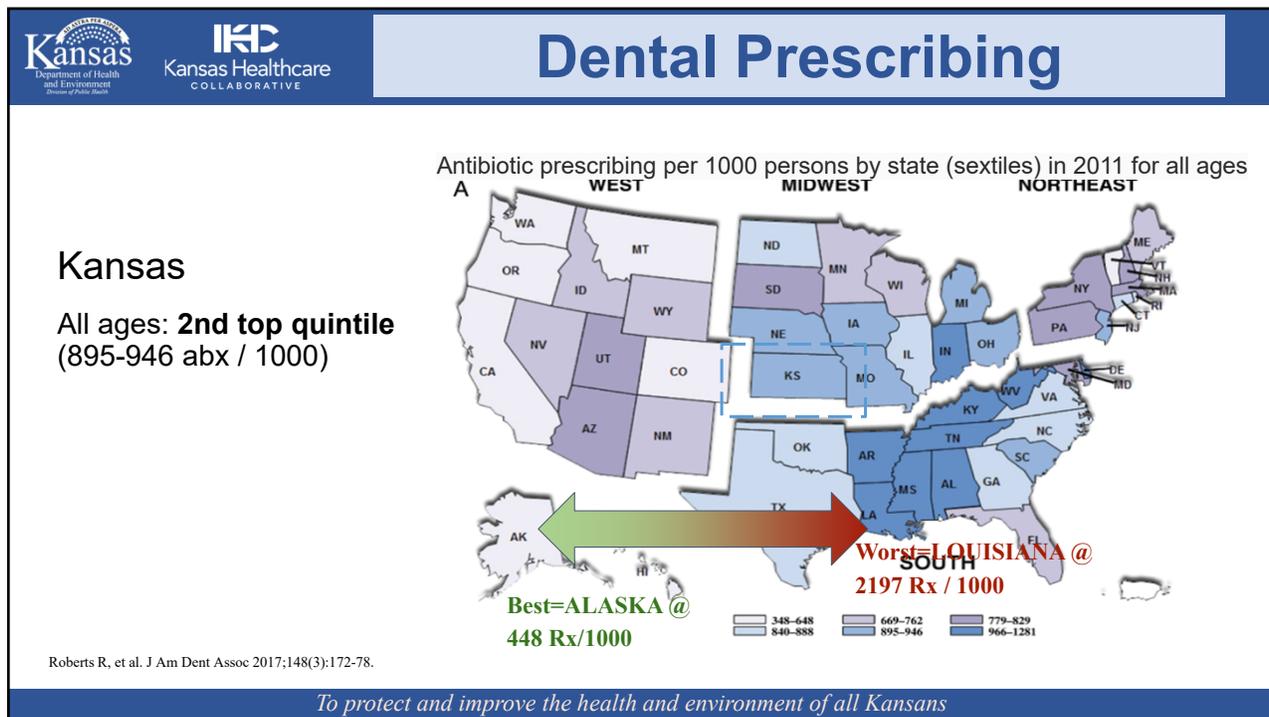
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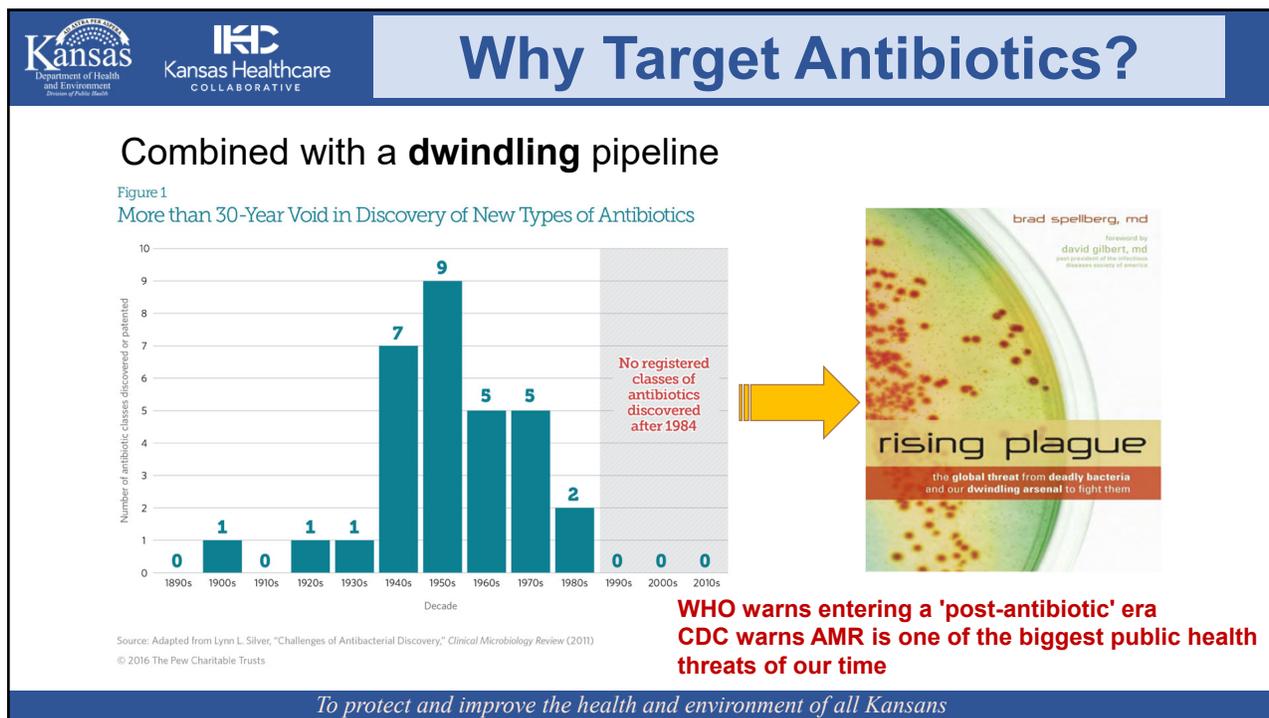
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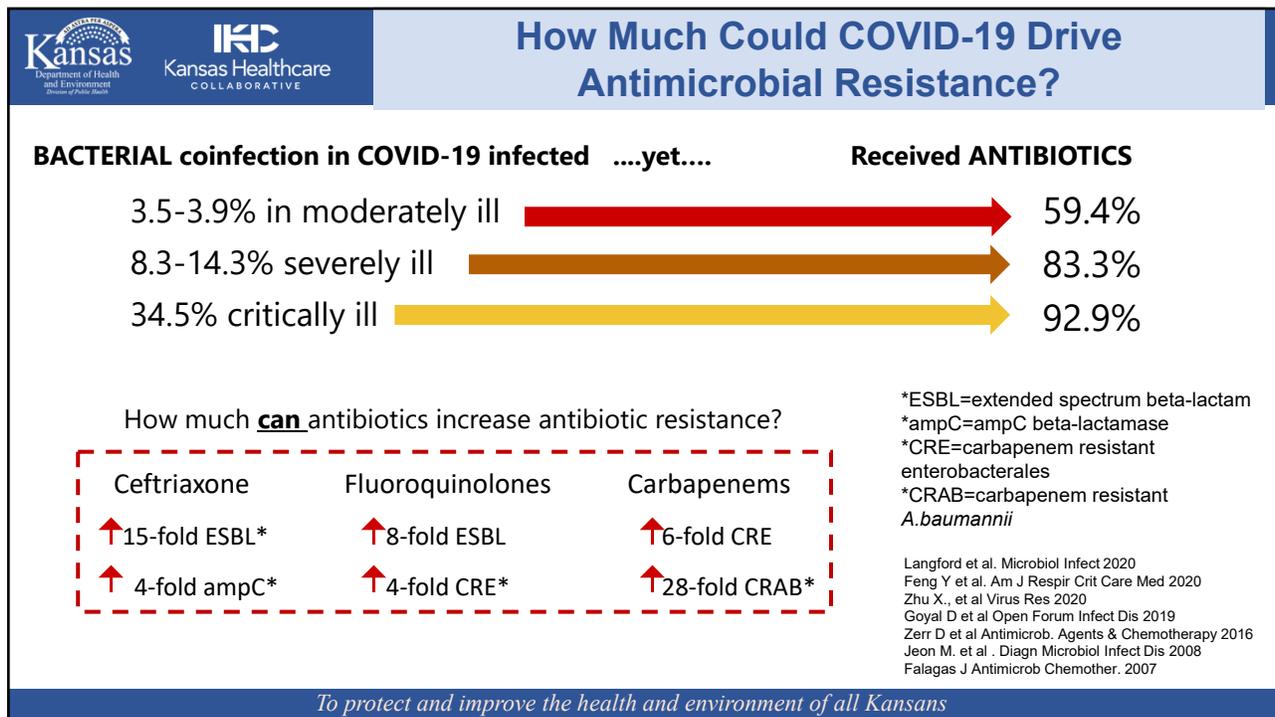
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**Ambulatory Prescribing**

▪ Infectious Disease Society of America & Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America:

*“coordinated program that promotes the appropriate use of antimicrobials, improves patient outcomes, reduces microbial resistance, and decreases the spread of infections caused by multidrug-resistant organisms”*

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## What is Antibiotic Stewardship

**Targets:**

- Improve abx prescribing
- Measure prescribing
- Minimize mis-dx or delayed diagnostics contributing to abx overuse
- Ensure the right drug, right dose & right duration are selected when an abx is needed

**Goals:**

- More prudent abx use → less resistance
- Reduce adverse events
- Reduce morbidity
- Reduce mortality

Barlam T., et al. CID 2016; 15(62)(10): e51-77. 51  
MacDougall C et al. Clin Micro Rev 2005; 18(4): 638-56  
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## Evidence in Support of AS

- 81% reported decrease in antibiotic use (60 programs, Cochrane Review)
- 22-36% reduction in abx usage
- 25% average cost reduction (27/29 studies)
- Positive effects on resistance (i.e., reductions)
- \$200,000 – 900,000 savings (large-medium hospitals) ...clinics (?)

*AS is the 3rd step in the infection prevention pyramid*

Antibiotic Stewardship  
Infection Prevention  
Environmental Services

Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2005(4):CD003543.  
Patel D., et al. Expert Review of Anti-Infective Therapy. 2008;6:209-22.

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## The 7 Core Elements of (Inpatient) Antimicrobial Stewardship

### Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship for Hospitals



**Leadership Commitment**  
Dedicating necessary human, financial, and information technology resources.



**Accountability**  
Appointing a single leader responsible for program outcomes.



**Drug Expertise**  
Appointing a single pharmacist leader responsible for working to improve antibiotic use.



**Action**  
Implementing at least one recommended action, such as systemic evaluation of ongoing treatment need after a set period of initial treatment.



**Tracking**  
Monitoring antibiotic prescribing and resistance patterns.



**Reporting**  
Regular reporting information on antibiotic use and resistance to doctors, nurses, and relevant staff.



**Education**  
Educating clinicians about resistance and optimal prescribing.

### 4 Core Elements (Outpatient)

1. Commitment
2. Action
3. Tracking & Reporting
4. Education & Expertise

Sanchez G, et al. Core elements of outpatient stewardship. MMWR 2016;65(RR-6):1-12; CDC core elements acute care hospital stewardship <https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/healthcare/pdfs/hospital-core-elements-H.pdf>.

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## Core Element 1: Commitment

### Leadership support

Dedicate necessary human, financial, & IT resources

Owners, governing boards, admin., medical, pharmacy & nursing directors

### Single greatest predictor of whether or not KS facilities have an established ASP

- Barriers
  - Financial/resources
  - Lack of awareness
- Goal of AS leader to emphasize value (costs + outcomes) & once est. important to remind leadership of AS values, gains

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Kansas Department of Health and Environment. 2018  
Hosp AS workshop survey. 2019, unpublished.

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## Examples of Commitment

### Priority examples

- Provider leaders **time** to manage program & conduct interventions
- **Resource** allocation (staff, IT, marketing, education)
- **Formal statements** of commitment (e.g., include in annual reports)
- Appoint hospital or clinic executive to be **AS “champion”**, ensure med director participates

### Other examples

- Set clear ASP leadership & staffing **expectations** (include in contracts, job descriptions upon hire)
- Set **clear expectations** for responsibilities & outcomes
- **Create a culture** around optimal abx use (messages, newsletters, emails, ongoing communique)
- Allocation of educational time & **resources to clinicians, staff, patients**



Social Media Toolkit:  
<https://www.khconline.org/files/USAAW-2020-images.zip>

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## “Nudging”

- Display commitment posters, subtle nudge providers to improve abx use, hold accountable when faced with pressure for abx during visit
  - 20% reduction in inappropriate abx (RCT of 5 clinics)



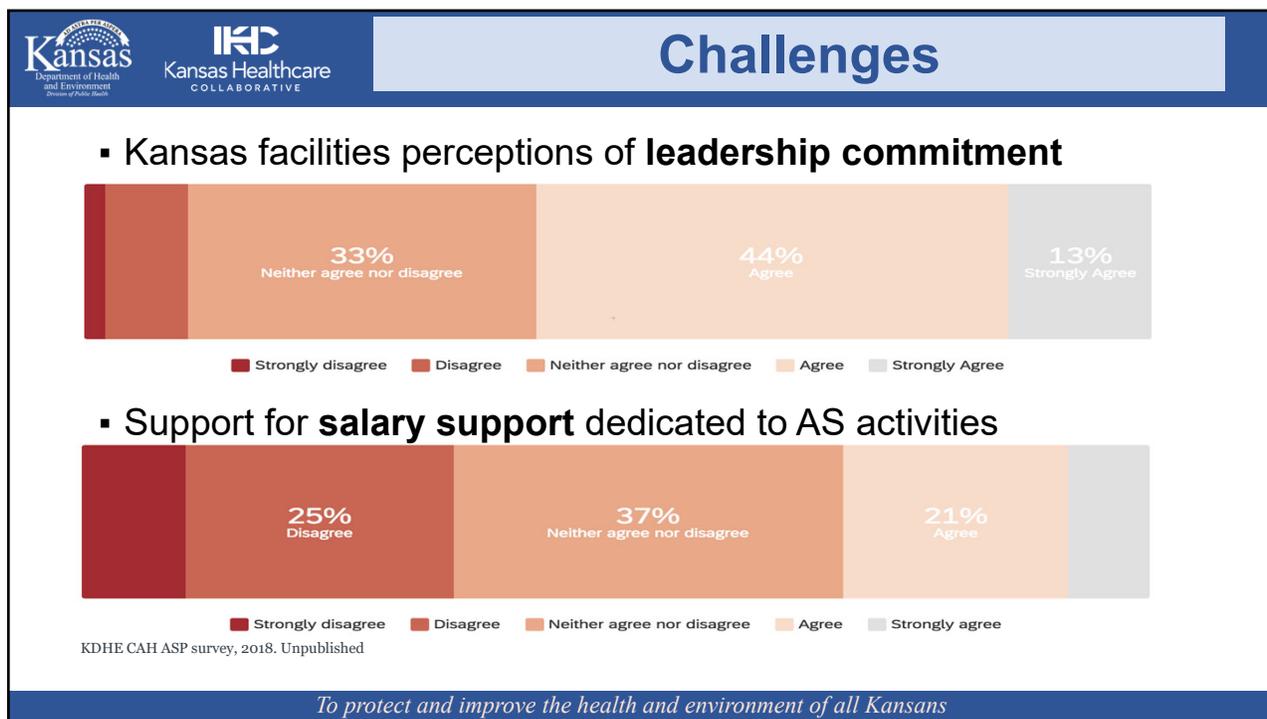
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English customizable poster: <http://www.khconline.org/files/POSTER-UseAntibioticsWisely11x17.pdf>

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**Core Element 1: Accountability**

Appoint a leader & co-leaders (physician/dentist/nurse practitioner/PA/pharmacist + practice manager, nurse manager)

Responsible for program management & outcomes

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Stakeholder identification: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Table\\_2\\_Stakeholder\\_Engagement.docx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Table_2_Stakeholder_Engagement.docx)

Member's duties & assignments: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Table\\_3\\_Members\\_and\\_Duties.docx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Table_3_Members_and_Duties.docx)

Team member	Activities this member is accountable for	Estimation of weekly hours	What needs are to be met for this person to serve as an ASP team member?
Medical Director			
Pharmacist			
Nurse leader			

**Key Stakeholder engagement ("what's in it for them?")**

List key stakeholders identified above	Which activities or outcomes are most important to this stakeholder?	How can the facility address this stakeholder's needs?
1. ex) nursing staff	ex) implementation and leadership of administrative, medical and nursing care clearly prioritized; ASP direction & goals; medication safety; ASP expectations, guidelines, education	ex) allocated educational time, auditing and feedback
2.		

▪ **Identify leader & members**

- Respected, esteemed
  - Infectious disease or abx knowledge
  - Co-led, ensure clearly delineated roles
  - Core members: clinicians, micro, pharm, nursing, admin, IT
- **Informal leaders**
  - Influence peers' attitudes & behaviors
  - Can make or break your program

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Flodgren G, Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2019;24:6.  
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## Examples of Accountability

- Oversight by governing body (e.g., QI or P&T)
- **Leadership training**
- **Med director sets standards for prescribing** (e.g., no intervention in asymptomatic bacteriuria, no C.diff test of cure)
- Nursing director ensures staff engaged, aware of ASP activities & goals
- Pharmacist reviews & audits
- Micro provides surveillance data (i.e., antibiogram)
- Consider hospital or clinical quality measures as AS goals

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## Challenges

- Kansas facilities perceptions of **establishing** an ASP



Perception	Percentage	Count
Very Challenging	17%	9
Challenging	45%	24
Neither easy/challenging	25%	13
Easy	13%	7
Very Easy	0%	0

- Perceptions of **implementation**

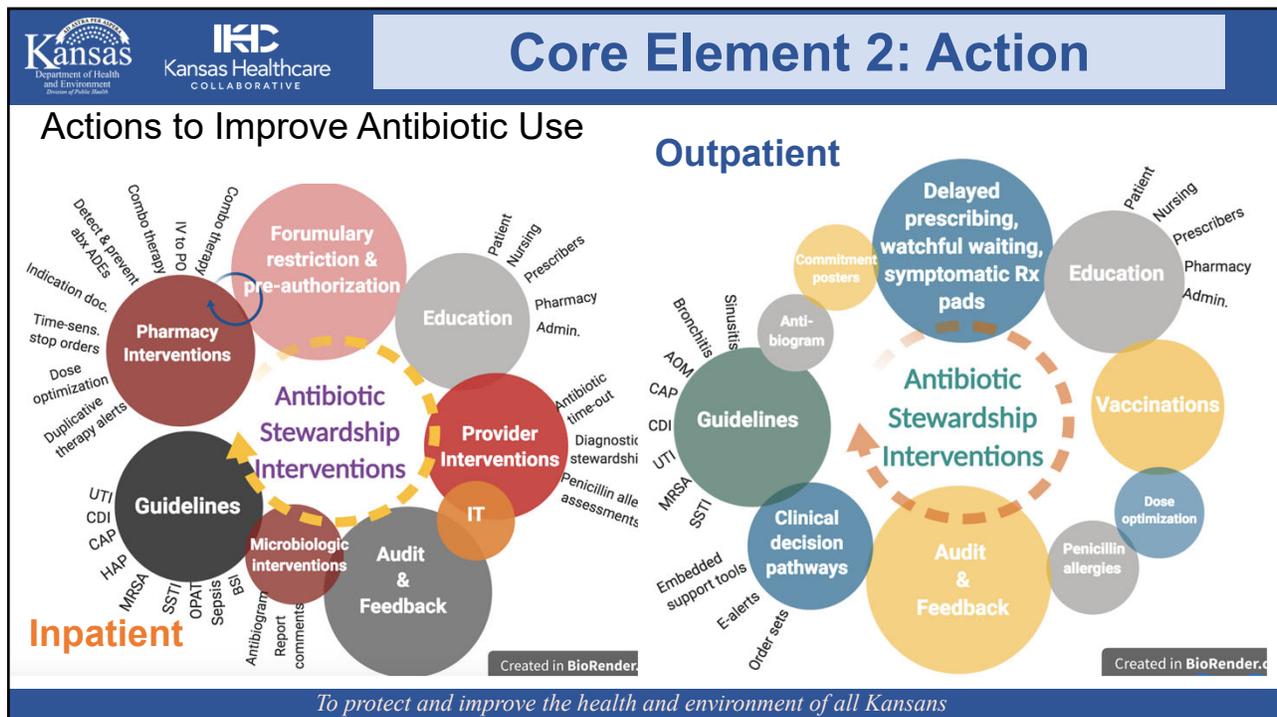


Perception	Percentage	Count
Poor	11%	6
Below Average	28%	15
Average	45%	24
Above Average	13%	7
Excellent	2%	1

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**Core Element 2: Action**

**No one size fits all strategy or policies -overuse occurs as result of**

- Policies
- Knowledge
- Awareness
- Culture

**Facilities differ greatly in**

- Provider types
- Culture, social norms, hierarchy
- Patient population
- Resistance patterns
- Resources, support

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## Core Element 3: Tracking & Reporting

### Monitoring antibiotic use

**Goal:** determine whether interventions impacted abx, reduced resistance

- Peer comparison (e.g. compare 1 high priority condition such as rate of abx for acute bronchitis)
- Monitor adverse events (*C.diff* rates)
- Pharmacist audits abx use
- Micro provides surveillance data (e.g., antibiogram, local resistant rates)
- Outcome monitoring (antibiotic resistance, mortality, morbidity)

Community-Onset Clostridioides difficile Infection (COI) Control Chart

**Instructions**

\* For overall standardized surveillance data for the measure, see the CDC's NADIR project: <https://www.cdc.gov/nadir/>

**Option 1 (Preferred)** For facility-wide surveillance, collect the count of infections (numerator) and the count of patient days (denominator) for the facility's inpatient population, by month, for a one-year period.

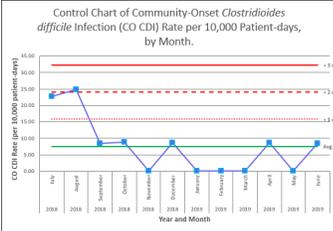
**Option 2** For facility-wide surveillance, collect the count of infections (numerator) and the count of patient days (denominator) for the unit, by month, for a one-year period. In the chart file, change the name of the denominator "Patient days" to "Admissions" and add the name of the unit (e.g., per 10,000 Admissions in Adult Inpatient Units). Change the name label to reflect the denominator is "per 10,000 admissions", rather than "per 10,000 patient days".

Select the month you want to begin with:

Enter year of the month you want to begin with:

Enter the count of infections and patient days, or admissions, to the corresponding month. Only edit the purple cells.

Year	Month	Infections	Admissions	Rate
2017	July	1	100	1.00
2017	August	3	100	3.00



Average: 1.00  
One sigma limit: 1.50  
Two sigma limit: 2.00  
Three sigma limit: 2.50

A single point outside the three sigma limit  
Two of three points outside the two sigma limit  
Four of five points outside the one sigma limit  
Eight points in a row on the same side of the average

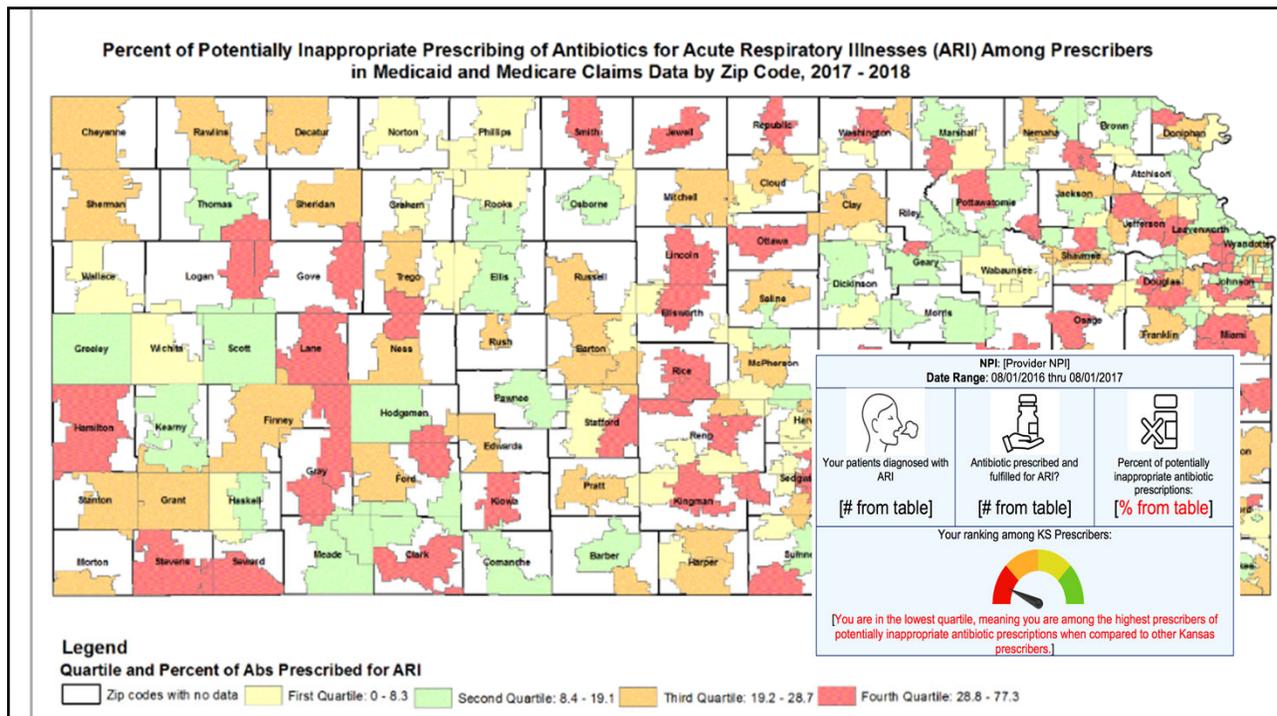
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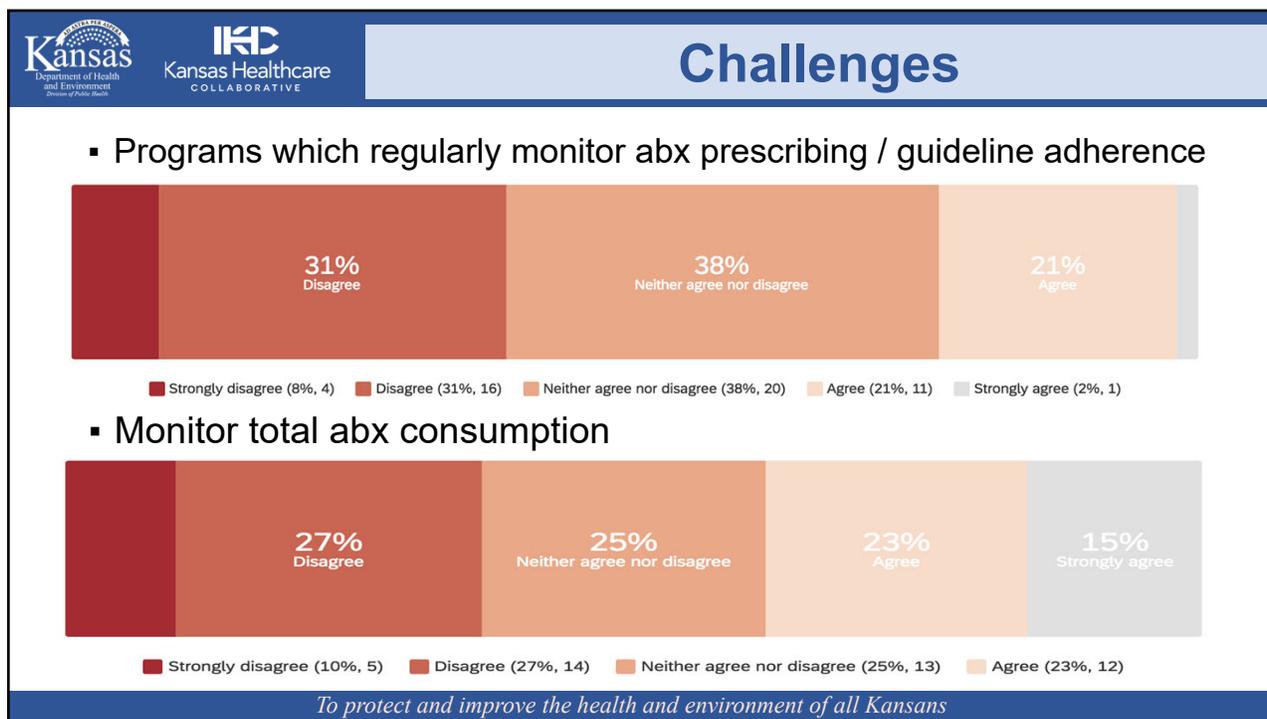
Interactive HAI tracking tool:  
[https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Spreadsheet\\_2\\_Interactive\\_HAI\\_Tracking\\_Tools.xlsx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Spreadsheet_2_Interactive_HAI_Tracking_Tools.xlsx)

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**Core Element 3: Tracking & Reporting**

Reporting information on improvements (or worsening) antibiotic use and resistance

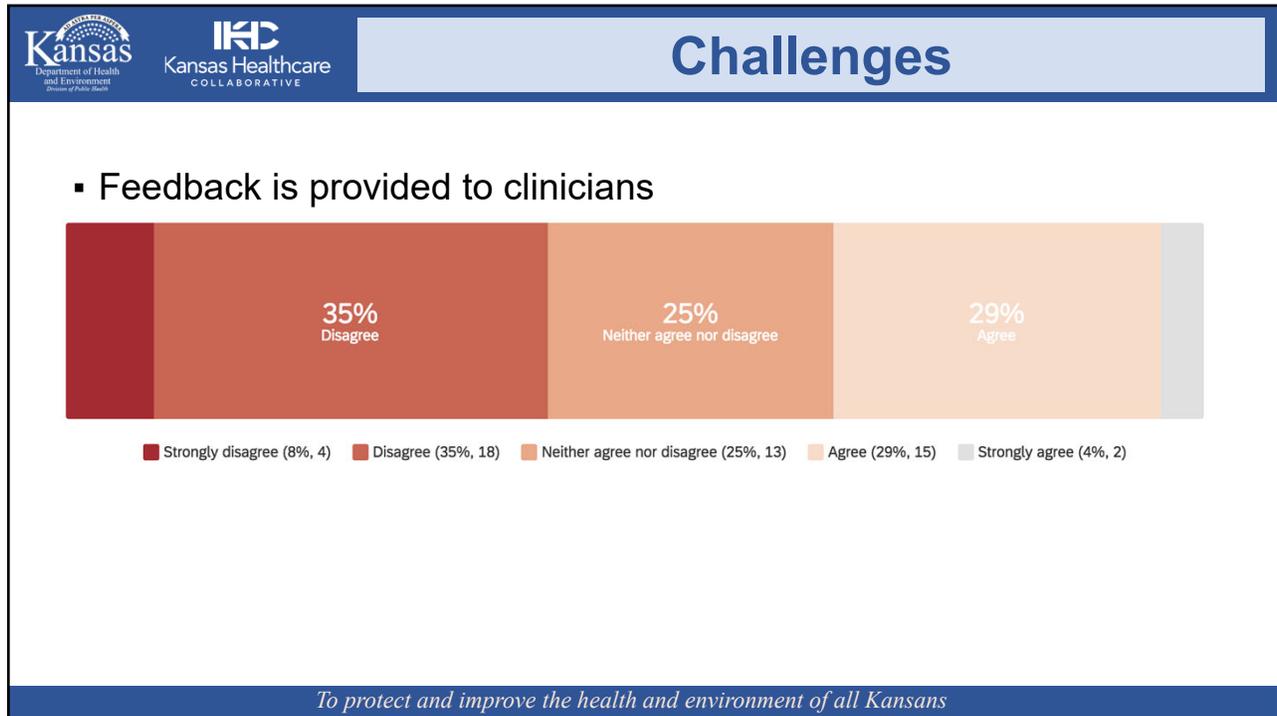
- Report above information tracked to individuals and prescriber
- Facility at large tracks/reports adverse events, complications of abx
- Include AS activity goals & outcomes in quality dashboards
- Report to leadership regularly status of program, success stories, changes
- Include AS performance measures in annual evaluations

Statewide Antibigram: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/Entire\\_a\\_gram.pdf](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/Entire_a_gram.pdf)

Antibiogram template [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Spreadsheet\\_1\\_Antibiogram\\_Template.xlsx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Spreadsheet_1_Antibiogram_Template.xlsx)

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**Core Element 4: Expertise**

Appoint a leader with antibiotic expertise, or dedicate education

Helps lead implementation efforts to improve abx use

Examples of actions to improve expertise

- Pharmacist &/or physician/surgeon/dentist /APP champion partner to develop & set standards of abx prescribing
- CME / continuing pharmacy education (MAD-ID, <https://mad-id.org/> or SIDP <https://sidp.org/Home>)
- Engage ID physicians, contract expert services (conjunction with other facilities) or use telemedicine

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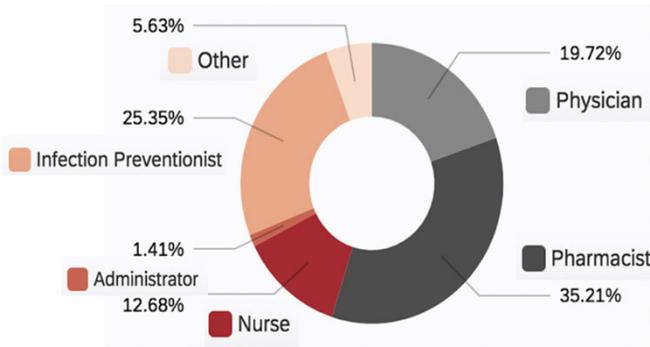
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## Challenges

- Among KS facilities: a general shortage of infectious disease and pharmaceutical experts



Professional	Percentage
Pharmacist	35.21%
Physician	19.72%
Infection Preventionist	25.35%
Nurse	12.68%
Administrator	1.41%
Other	5.63%

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## Core Element 4: Education

- Education initiatives alone without focusing on behavioral changes, social norms have small and non-sustained effects
- Passive less effective than active (i.e., interactive didactics, small groups)
- One-on-one “academic detailing” is more resource intense although more influential
- Educate nursing staff (e.g., response to patients calls w/ URIs, setting expectations, avoiding unnecessary tests)
- Don't neglect patient education

Kicking off Midwest Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative VIRTUAL and quarterly, One Health + Inpatient + Ambulatory + Critical


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Abbo et al CID 2013;57(5):631-38.  
 Grol & Grimshaw 2003  
 Fleming et al 2013

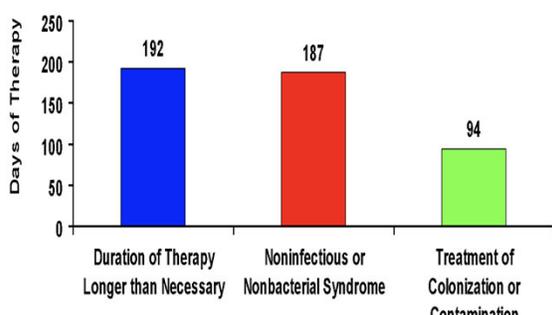
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## De-escalation

- Most common reason for **inpatient** abx overuse, failure to de-escalate
  - Durations longer than necessary
  - Diagnostic uncertainty
    - Colonization
    - Lack of micro (e.g. CAP pathogens identified only 7.6% of time)
  - Insecurity (e.g., non-infectious syndromes associated w/ fevers, immunocompromised)

### Unnecessary Abx in Hospitalized: Most common reasons



Reason	Days of Therapy
Duration of Therapy Longer than Necessary	192
Noninfectious or Nonbacterial Syndrome	187
Treatment of Colonization or Contamination	94

Bartlett et al CID 2013;56.

Hecker et al. Arch Intern Med. 2003; 163; 972-78.

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## Education / Antibiotic Optimization

### 2014 IDSA Skin & Soft Tissue Infection Guidelines

Cellulitis	5 days
Recurrent abscesses	5-10 days
MRSA SSTI in hospitalized (2010 MRSA guidelines)	7-14 days

Stewardship: Shorter = Better

Diagnosis	Short (d)	Long (d)	Result	RCT
CAP	3-5	5-14	Equal	12
VAP	8	15	Equal	2
Pyelo	5 or 7	10 or 14	Equal	7
Intra-aortic	4	10	Equal	2
GNB Bacteremia	7	14	Equal	2*
Cellulitis	5-6	10	Equal	4**
Chronic Osteomyel.	42	84	Equal	2
Diabetic Foot Osteo	21	42	Equal	1*
Septic Arthritis	14	28	Equal	1
Retained Ortho Implant	28	42	Equal	1
AECB & Sinusitis	<5	>7	Equal	>25
Neutropenic Fever	APx72h	+ANC<500	Equal	1
Latent TB	1-4 mo	6-12 mo	Equal	8
P. vivax Malaria	7	14	Equal	1

\*Total: 14 Diseases      \*\*60 RCTs  
128 Randomized trials in 1000 RCTs; \*\*264 RCTs; 1 Day after onset (range) 27 weeks; 44 Patients Malaria (not with random control) out of 1000 RCTs (range) 1-1000

<https://www.bradspellberg.com/shorter-is-better>

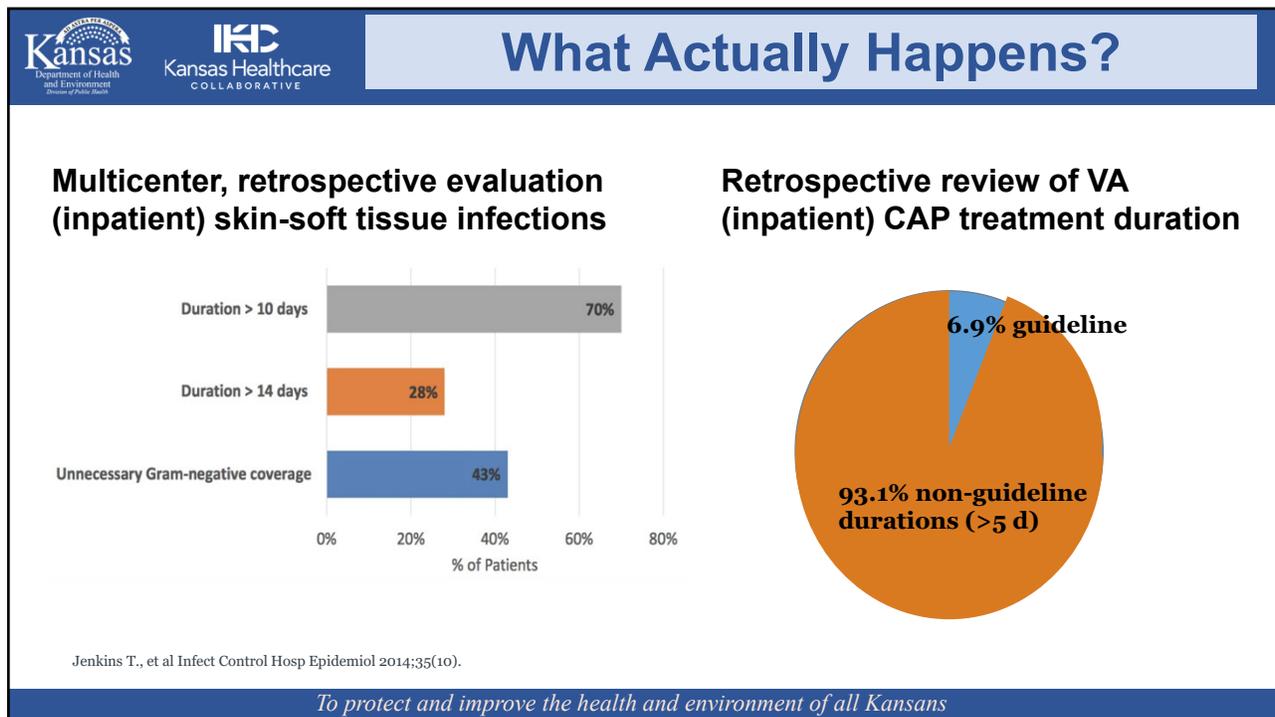
Community Acquired Pneumonia

CAP	5 days	
Double-blind RCT CAP dc abx 3 vs 8 days	3 days tx	8 days tx
Clinical cure at 10 days	93%	88%
Clinical cure at 28 days	90%	88%
Adverse events	11%	21%

Stevens D, et al CID> 2014; 59:e10.  
 Liu et al. CID 2011;52(3):e18.  
 Moussaoui R, et al BMJ 2006;332:1355

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**Behavioral Approaches**

- Low-cost, high-impact interventions
- **Communication training**
  - Decision aids, infographics
  - Shared decision making
  - **Address pt's' expectations** (e.g., "take this instead to soothe symptoms")
  - **Negative tx recommendations** (e.g., "this infection is viral so abx won't help")

**Outcomes**

- shorter visits
- less abx prescribing
- high family satisfaction

Mangione-Smith et al. Ann Fam Med. 2015;13(3)  
Drekonga et al. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol 2015;36(2):142-52  
Coxeter et al Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2015

Dialogue Around Respiratory Illness Treatment  
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## Clinical Decision Support

- Low-cost, high-impact interventions
  - Delayed prescribing
  - Symptomatic Rx

**Rx Dental Prophylaxis Decision Script**

Prophylaxis INDICATED <sup>1</sup>	AHA, ADA recommended antibiotic regimens		
	Antibiotic <sup>2</sup>	Adults	Children
<input type="checkbox"/> Prosthetic heart valve	Amoxicillin	2 g	50 mg/kg
<input type="checkbox"/> Prosthetic material used to repair valve (e.g., annuloplasty)	Amoxicillin	2 g	50 mg/kg
<input type="checkbox"/> History of infective endocarditis	PCN-allergic		
<input type="checkbox"/> Unrepaired congenital heart defect	Cephalexin <sup>4</sup>	2 g	50 mg/kg
<input type="checkbox"/> Repaired congenital heart defect with residual shunt or regurgitation	Clindamycin	600 mg	20 mg/kg
<input type="checkbox"/> Heart transplant with valvular regurgitation	Azithromycin	500 mg	15 mg/kg
<b>Prophylaxis NOT generally indicated<sup>2</sup></b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> History of prosthetic joint infection	Ampicillin	2 g IM or IV	50 mg/kg IM or IV
<input type="checkbox"/> Extensive & invasive procedure planned	Cefazolin or ceftriaxone <sup>4</sup>	1 g IM or IV	50 mg/kg IM or IV
<input type="checkbox"/> Active or recovered prosthetic joint issues (hematomas, drainage)	Clindamycin	600 mg IM or IV	20 mg/kg IM or IV
<input type="checkbox"/> Immunosuppressed (e.g., history of transplant, leukemia, RA, Crohn's)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic with poor control			
<input type="checkbox"/> Risk of ORN (from bisphosphonates)			

<sup>1</sup> American Heart Association/American Dental Association/American Society of Anesthesiologists Infection Prevention and Antimicrobial Resistance Advisory Group  
<sup>2</sup> American Heart Association/American Dental Association/American Society of Anesthesiologists Infection Prevention and Antimicrobial Resistance Advisory Group  
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Rx Patient: \_\_\_\_\_

DIAGNOSIS	Symptom duration	SYMPTOM RELIEF MEDICATIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis (chest cold, cough)	7-21 days	Always use medications according to package instructions Stop the medication when symptoms get better
<input type="checkbox"/> Influenza (flu)	7-14 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Acetaminophen, 325-650 mg every 4-6 hours as needed fever and aches
<input type="checkbox"/> Otitis media (ear infection)	7-10 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Ibuprofen, 400-800 mg every 4-6 hours as needed fever and aches
<input type="checkbox"/> Upper respiratory infection (common cold)	7-10 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Naproxen, 250-500 mg every 12 hours as needed fever and aches
<input type="checkbox"/> Viral pharyngitis (sore throat)	3-10 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Lozenges - benzocaine, dyclonine or zinc acetate sore throat
<input type="checkbox"/> Viral sinusitis (sinus infection)	7-14 days	<input type="checkbox"/> Salt water gargle - 1 tsp. salt / 1 cup warm water sore throat

Rx Patient: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DIAGNOSIS	SYMPTOM RELIEF MEDICATIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> Asymptomatic bacteriuria (bacteria in urine without infection)	Always use medications according to package instructions
<input type="checkbox"/> Dysuria (painful urination without infection)	<input type="checkbox"/> Acetaminophen 325-650 mg every 4-6 hours as needed Pain & burning
<input type="checkbox"/> Dyspareunia (painful sex)	<input type="checkbox"/> Phenazopyridine 100-200 mg three times daily as needed Pain & burning (orange urine discoloration expected; limit 3 days continuously)
<input type="checkbox"/> Interstitial cystitis (bladder wall inflammation)	<input type="checkbox"/> Methenamine hippurate 162 mg + sodium salicylate 162 mg daily, 2 tablets three times daily as needed Burning +/- prevent infection
<input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic floor dysfunction (pelvic muscle pain)	<input type="checkbox"/> Estrogen topically, 2 to 5 times weekly* Vaginal irritation, healthy vaginal flora
PREVENTIVE MEDICATIONS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Methenamine Hippurate 1000 mg twice daily* (take with vitamin C 1000 mg to activate methenamine; don't take same time as sulfa meds, strong urine smell expected)	Prevent bladder bacterial growth
<input type="checkbox"/> Cranberry supplement or 10-30 oz cranberry juice daily	Prevent E. coli bladder wall attachment
<input type="checkbox"/> D-mannose 2 gram daily	Prevent bacterial bladder wall attachment
<input type="checkbox"/> Probiotic, lactobacillus at least 10 billion cfu daily	Protect from (harmful) bacterial overgrowth
DIET / HYGIENE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Avoid caffeine, alcohol, artificial sweeteners, spicy foods	<input type="checkbox"/> Avoid irritants (spermicide, diaphragms, feminine hygiene sprays, powders, douches)
<input type="checkbox"/> Consider diet for interstitial cystitis (chelp.org)	<input type="checkbox"/> Urinate after sex, wear cotton undergarments
	<input type="checkbox"/> Avoid constipation and diarrhea
	<input type="checkbox"/> Empty bladder at regular intervals

**The symptoms and/or urinalysis you presented with today do NOT suggest an infection.**

Antibiotics were not started because they are ineffective for dysuria without infection & asymptomatic bacteriuria, may cause side effects, harm, and may lead to resistant bacteria limiting future antibiotics.

Please return or call if symptoms do not improve in \_\_\_\_\_ days), develop fevers or chills, lower abdominal or back pain, blood in the urine, or other new or concerning symptoms.

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## Multidisciplinary Approach

**Local guidelines** common infections (available on intranet, pocket cards, posters)

**Prior auth (PA)** (req. select broad spectrum or new abx, fulfill special forms prior dispensed)

**Education**

**Individual feedback** (peer comparison)

- 35% total reduction abx use (PA + educ + bi-annual feedback)
- 30% increase in appropriate abx (PA + guidelines)  
+86% decrease in **select** abx (PA)
- 39% increase appropriate abx (guidelines + audit-feedback)
- Stopping ASP □ □ 32% increase in abx costs w/in 2 yrs

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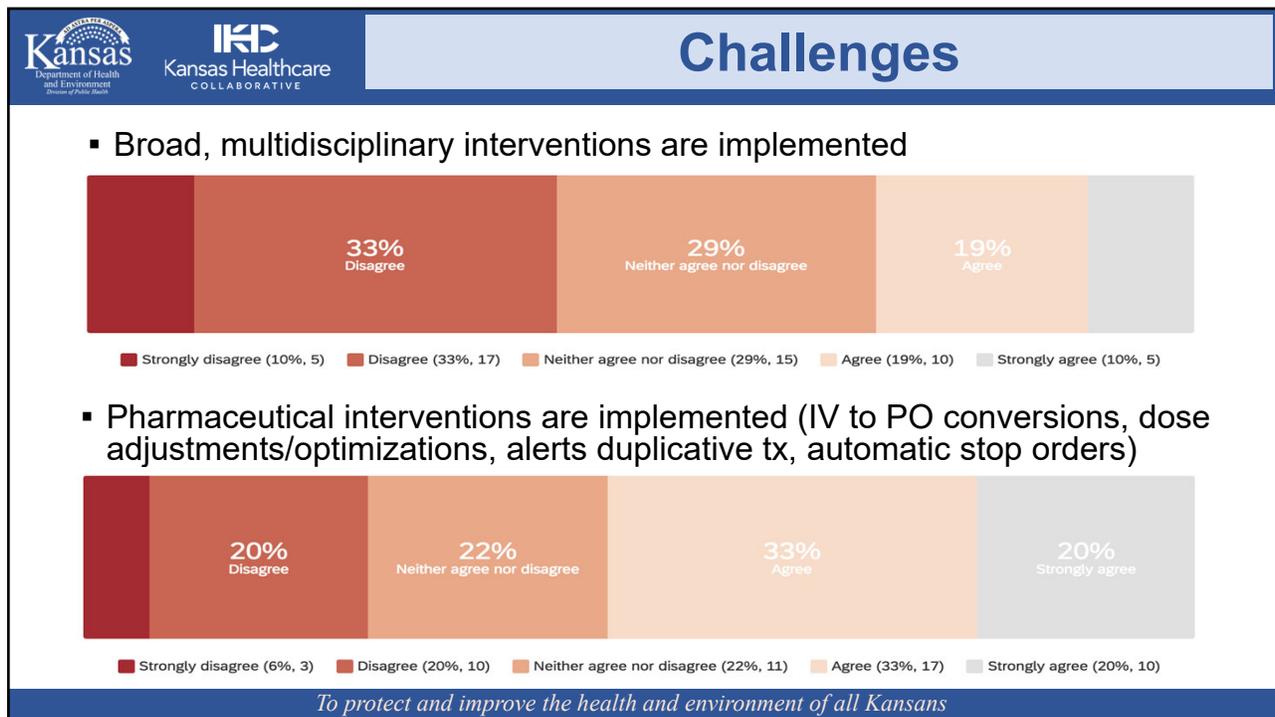
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**Don't Forget the Social Determinants**

- Physician-physician relationships
  - 3x as likely to prescribe guideline-aligned if clinic partners are aligned & 1.3 times more likely to prescribe poorly if share practice w poor prescribers
- Attitudes
  - “Comfort” of over-prescribing, broad spectrum abx feel “safer”
  - Resistance not felt applicable to locale or personal responsibility
- Litigious factors
- Patient pressures (may over-estimate)
- Time of day

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## Resources

- KDHE HAI/AR: <https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai.htm>
- KS 2020 antibiogram: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/Entire\\_a\\_gram.pdf](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/Entire_a_gram.pdf)
- Antibiotic Stewardship CAH Toolkit: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/CAH\\_ASP\\_Toolkit\\_Digital.pdf](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/CAH_ASP_Toolkit_Digital.pdf)
- Know the facts posters: English <https://www.khconline.org/files/POSTER-UseAntibioticsWisely11x17.pdf>, Spanish [https://www.khconline.org/files/POSTER-UseAntibioticsWisely24x36\\_SPANISH.pdf](https://www.khconline.org/files/POSTER-UseAntibioticsWisely24x36_SPANISH.pdf)
- Interactive HAI tracker:  
[https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Spreadsheet\\_2\\_Interactive\\_HAI\\_Tracking\\_Tools.xlsx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Spreadsheet_2_Interactive_HAI_Tracking_Tools.xlsx)
- Stakeholder identifier: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Table\\_1\\_Key\\_Stakeholder\\_Identification.docx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Table_1_Key_Stakeholder_Identification.docx)
- Members duties: [https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH\\_Toolkit/Table\\_3\\_Members\\_and\\_Duties.docx](https://www.kdheks.gov/epi/hai/CAH_Toolkit/Table_3_Members_and_Duties.docx)
- Social media toolkit: <https://www.khconline.org/files/USAAW-2020-images.zip>

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## CAH ASP Survey

### MPH Internship Project

- 46 responses from IPs in community hospitals in KS
- Most facilities were <50 beds
- Everyone had 1 or less IPs and most reported their IP had between 1-5 years of experience
- IPs in these facilities wear MANY hats!
  - Staff RNs, Employee/Occupational Health, Lab, Risk Mgmt, Quality, Education, Housekeeping manager, Pharmacy staff....
- Everyone has an electronic medical record but only 67% report AU/AUR to NHSN
- 87% reported having an ASP which was led mostly by either a pharmacist, the IP or a physician or combination of them
- What is the role of the IP in the ASP? Myriad of answers!
  - Lead the program, monitor the effectiveness of the program, serve as a supportive role, collect and provide data, develop policy, educate staff, MDRO prevention through IPC program, monitoring culture results, looking for bug/drug mismatch, unsure and not a clear role

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  **Session #8: Antimicrobial Stewardship**

## Lessons from the Field

- Review resources
- Identify key stakeholders and identify roles and responsibilities within scope
  - Leverage expertise, resources and time
- Perform a Gap Analysis using the CDC’s Core Elements and KDHE’s toolkit
- Identify data needs
- Pick a place to start and get going!

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## Lessons from the Field

1. Commitment
2. Action for policy and practice
3. Tracking and reporting
4. Education and expertise

"As your healthcare providers, we promise to treat your illness in the best way possible. We are also dedicated to prescribing antibiotics only when they are needed. We will avoid giving you antibiotics when they are likely to do more harm than good."



Jennifer Esau, DO   Bryce Heltman, DO   Anna LaSota, DO   Ryan LaSota, MD

Marcia Hendricks, APRN-C



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**TOP 5 QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ABOUT ANTIBIOTICS:**

- 1 "Do I really need an antibiotic?"
- "Can I get better without this antibiotic?" 2
- 3 "What side effects or drug interactions can I expect?"
- "What side effects should I report to you?" 4
- 5 "How do you know what kind of infection I have? I understand that antibiotics won't work on viral infections."

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**It's not enough to stare up the steps, you must step up the stairs!**

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### Session #8 Quiz

**Which of the following is NOT one of the 4 elements of Outpatient Antimicrobial Stewardship?**

- Commitment
- Tracking and reporting
- Action for policy and practice
- Accountability
- Education and expertise

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## Next steps

- ❑ Review the KDHE CAH toolkit and other resources.
- ❑ Identify a next step to advance your antimicrobial stewardship program.
- ❑ Complete the Core Elements survey (~7 min.) by June 17:  
[https://kdheks.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1zfKZD6h9mtdEsS](https://kdheks.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1zfKZD6h9mtdEsS)

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## Q&A



Please type your questions or comments in the Q&A window.

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  **KDHE-KHC Infection Prevention LAN for Outpatient Settings**

## Final Session

- **June 17 Bringing it all together**  
(1 hour)  
In our final session of the LAN, learn from scenarios presented in a “day in the life of” an infection preventionist.

Recordings and handouts of past sessions can be located here:  
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(must be all caps)

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  **KDHE-KHC Infection Prevention LAN**

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