

World Antibiotic Awareness Week from 18 to 24 November 2019

Worldwide action against MDR infections


Prudent use of **antibiotics**



Rapid increase in resistance to antibiotics due to their excessive use.

2,000,000 infections in the U.S. per year due to bacteria that are resistant to antibiotics. [1]

35,000 die annually from the direct consequences. [2]




8,900,000 people fall ill in clinics and care facilities throughout Europe **every year** – with rising tendency. [3]




Internet platform

Healthcare Social Media South Africa

with courses to educate and support MDR patients. [4]




Empowering patients through education



Comprehensible information contributes to the motivation to promote good hand hygiene, because:

The transmission of MDR bacteria can be specifically prevented by consistent hand disinfection.



More at: <http://ow.ly/BoJU50xaCuC>.

Literature

- (1) <https://www.shea-online.org/index.php/journal-news/press-room/press-release-archives/684-research-on-antibiotic-use-desperately-needed-as-resistance-crisis-looms> (Abruf am 5.11.2019)
- (2) <https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/week/get-involved.html>
- (3) Suetens C. et al. Prevalence of healthcare-associated infections, estimated incidence and composite antimicrobial resistance index in acute care hospitals and long-term care facilities: results from two European point prevalence surveys, 2016 to 2017. Eurosurveillance 2018.
- (4) <https://healthcaresocialmedia.co.za/about-us/>



Research for infection protection