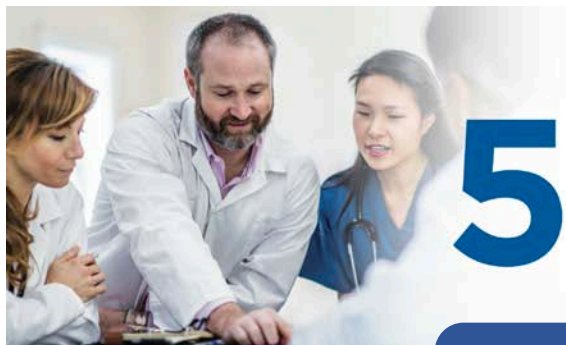


The Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists is excited to work with The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) to share “5 Ways Hospital Pharmacists can be Antibiotics Aware”



5 WAYS HOSPITAL PHARMACISTS CAN BE ANTIBIOTICS AWARE

Pharmacists can be Antibiotics Aware year-round. U.S. Antibiotic Awareness Week (November 18-24, 2019) is a great time to highlight our impact!

Antibiotic Awareness Checklist for Pharmacists

- 1. Register your participation!** Become an official partner of the “Hospital Pharmacists can be Antibiotics Aware” campaign by registering your commitment at the SIDP website <https://sidp.org/AMRchallenge/>
- 2. Spread the word.** Forward this information to your friends and colleagues outside of SIDP. Some people who might be interested: faculty at your local pharmacy school, nurse educators and managers at your hospital, your local pharmacy societies, clinics affiliated with your hospital
- 3. Get the Posters.** Download the Pharmacy Posters from the CDC website
 - a. [5 Ways Hospital Pharmacists Can Be Antibiotics Aware](#)
 - b. [Verify Penicillin Allergy](#)
 - c. [Avoid Duplicative Anaerobic Coverage](#)
 - d. [Reassess Antibiotic Therapy](#)
 - e. [Avoid Treatment of Asymptomatic Bacteriuria](#)
 - f. [Use the Shortest Effective Antibiotic Duration](#)
- 4. Choose a strategy!** Choose one or more campaign initiatives for your institution to participate.
- 5. Take action!** Share strategies with pharmacists in your institution. You can:
 - a. Print the posters and share them with your colleagues
 - b. Post the materials electronically through your website, newsletters, or screensavers
 - c. Use one poster topic per day as part of huddles or staff meetings
 - d. Ask your pharmacy colleagues share information with their team members, including nurses, physicians, and others
 - e. Talk to patients about safe antibiotic use
- 6. Promote your work.** Share photos or stories of your activities on social media. Be sure to tag @SIDPharm so we can promote your work!
- 7. Keep track!** Take notes on your activities so you can share your impact with pharmacy and hospital leadership.

More Information

Looking for key messages to back up your educational plans? Check out these great resources from the CDC.

Antibiotic Awareness Week - Be Antibiotics Aware Partner Toolkit

<https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/week/toolkit.html>

Antibiotic Stewardship Data and Resources - Antibiotic Use in the United States, 2018 Update: Progress and Opportunities

<https://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/stewardship-report/index.html>