



ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP

Letter of Commitment

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This posting hereby asserts that the clinicians, clinical staff, leaders and employees of **YOUR UCC NAME HERE**, are committed to Antibiotic Stewardship - a key initiative of highest priority.

The prudent use of antimicrobials within the hospital and other healthcare facilities is clinically vital to the health of our community. Clinicians and staff have been educated on evidenced-based management of illness, alternatives and microbial resistance. Establishing and implementing a good antibiotic stewardship in Urgent Care centers can help protect patients from unnecessary antibiotic use and their unintended consequences.

Up to 50% of antimicrobials prescribed in U.S. acute care hospitals are estimated to be either unnecessary or inappropriate. There is a causal relationship between inappropriate antimicrobial use and antimicrobial drug resistance. Globally, the dramatic rise in resistant microorganisms and the slow development of new antimicrobial drugs has prompted various agencies to focus on optimizing usage. The priority of this effort is evidenced by the President's National Plan to Combat Antibiotic Resistance and The Joint Commission (TJC) standards for Antibiotic Stewardship.

YOUR UCC NAME HERE has created an interdisciplinary team to implement and oversee our Antibiotic Stewardship Program. The team operates in collaboration between Infection Preventionists, Nursing representatives, Pharmacists, and Providers. Members of the Antibiotic Stewardship program are responsible for tracking and reporting, education and evaluation of the program efficacy.

YOUR UCC NAME HERE understands the importance of this national priority and asserts our commitment to Antibiotic Stewardship.