

Promote Healthy Antibiotic Use



Antibiotic resistant infections are associated with rising patient mortality and health care costs. Antibiotic resistance strongly correlates with inappropriate antibiotic use.

What can pharmacies do?

Pharmacies can play a role in educating consumers about antibiotic resistance by using CDC's Get Smart prescription bag inserts (pictured below).

You have just filled a prescription for an antibiotic...

GET SMART
Know What Antibiotics Work

READ THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Take it exactly as your medical expert tells you
- Do not skip doses
- Do not share it with others
- Finish the prescription even if you feel better
- Do not save it for later

Why is this checklist so important?
Using an antibiotic the wrong way can make infections stronger and harder to treat. You can prevent this problem by getting smart about antibiotics.

Take antibiotics the right way.

For more information call 1-800-CDC-INFO or visit www.cdc.gov/getsmart

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Get Smart prescription bag inserts give your staff a simple tool for educating customers. The inserts can be given when customers pick up their prescriptions.

To learn more, please contact (802) 951-5150

To order bag inserts, visit healthvermont.gov/prevent/hai/index.aspx

To earn CE credits, visit CDC's [Weighing in on Antibiotic Resistance website](http://www.cdc.gov/getsmart/specific-groups/hcp/ce-comm-pharm/module-1/index.html)

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