



## ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP IN LONG-TERM CARE: EDUCATIONAL TOOLKIT

This toolkit contains:

- **Program Report Form** – Please send this fillable PDF form to the fax/email provided each time you give the presentation, whether classroom style or the narrated version. This will help NJDOH to track presentations and geographic coverage across the state, to adjust our materials as needed, and will allow us to provide updates to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- **“Antibiotics: Will they work when you really need them” (brochure)\*** – This brochure is a take-home item that reinforces key messages about appropriate antibiotic use in an easy-to-read format for residents and their family members.
- **Fact Sheets\*** – Two different fact sheets help to provide information to residents and their families regarding respiratory infections and urinary tract infections, along with information about appropriate use of antibiotics are available in an easy-to-read format.
- **Antibiotic Stewardship in Long-term Care Facilities (PowerPoint slides)** – This presentation is designed to assist in the education of staff members on the importance of antibiotic resistance. It is available in two formats: as a narrated slide set for ease of use, or you may choose to use the slides and suggested script for a classroom-style presentation. You are encouraged to add slides as needed to address information specific to your facility.
- **“Antibiotics: Communication Strategies for Health Care Providers and Nursing Staff in Long-Term Care Settings”** – This tool was created to assist health care staff in long-term care settings to be able to easily talk to residents and their family members about why an antibiotic is not always the best choice for treating common illnesses.
- **Infection Prevention and Control Policy for Antibiotic Stewardship Program** – From the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, this sample policy can be used as a starting point for drafting a policy for your facility.
- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention “Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship for Nursing Homes”** – This is a must-have document in planning and implementing an antibiotic stewardship program in long-term care settings. Included are two appendices to assist with policy issues, measuring the prescribing, use and outcomes of antibiotic therapy, and a checklist to track progress in implementing the core elements.
- **Resources** – This document provides additional resources for antibiotic stewardship in long-term care settings.

\*Additional quantities of the fact sheets and brochures may be available upon request. Call the NJ Department of Health Communicable Disease Service to order additional supplies as needed at (609) 826-5964.