



Key features of antibiotic stewardship programs include:



Leadership Commitment



Evidence-based Prescribing



Tracking and Reporting



Education of staff and patients

Efforts to minimize the development of resistance by ensuring that each patient receives the right antibiotic at the right time at the right dose for the right duration according to current evidence based guidelines

Although the use of antibiotics has reduced morbidity and mortality, much of their use is unnecessary across the healthcare continuum. The overuse of antibiotics has led to the development of antibiotic resistant strains of organisms heralding the post antibiotic era.

Target Strategy: Slow the Emergence of Resistant Bacteria, thus Lowering the Overall Cost of Care

Our Goal:

Alliant Quality, the Quality Innovation Network – Quality Improvement Organization for Georgia and North Carolina, invites **primary care physician practices, federally-qualified health centers and emergency rooms** to join us in these efforts. The goal will focus on increasing the appropriate use of antibiotics for common infections.

What are the benefits of participation?

1. Clinicians will enhance their knowledge of appropriate antibiotic prescribing practices for common infections, thus lowering the overall cost of the care.
2. Clinicians can participate in a learning collaborative, including topics, such as: appropriate antibiotic prescribing, patient engagement, antimicrobial resistance, etc.
3. Clinicians will have access to resources to educate patients about appropriate antibiotic usage.
4. Clinicians will receive virtual technical assistance on workflow redesign and implementation of best practices to support appropriate antibiotic prescribing.
5. Overall cost of care will decrease, improving your value to insurers.

Alliant Quality will:

- Host the learning collaborative for best practice sharing
- Provide evidence based materials for appropriate antibiotic prescribing
- Create a consumer awareness campaign on appropriate antibiotic use

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