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Around two-thirds of adult patients can have their penicillin allergy label removed after an interview and notes review without formal testing

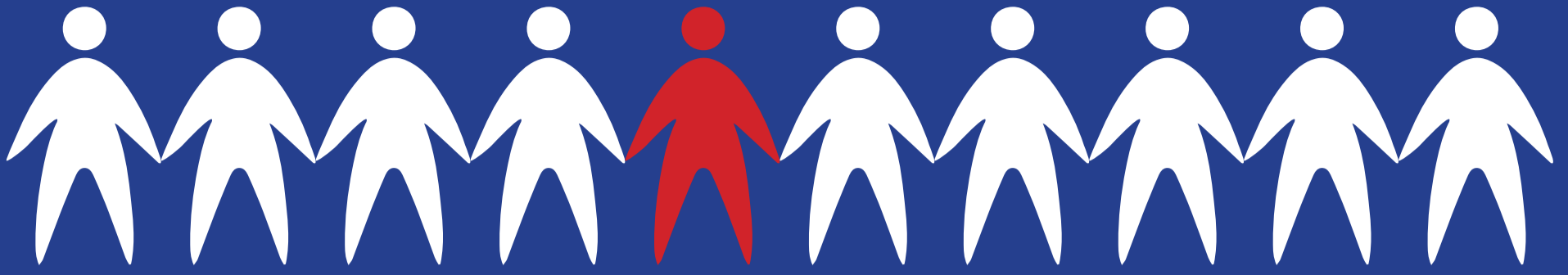
# *Challenge* PENICILLIN ALLERGIES

*Question the accuracy of penicillin allergy labels*

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**Penicillin allergy labels increase harms including:**

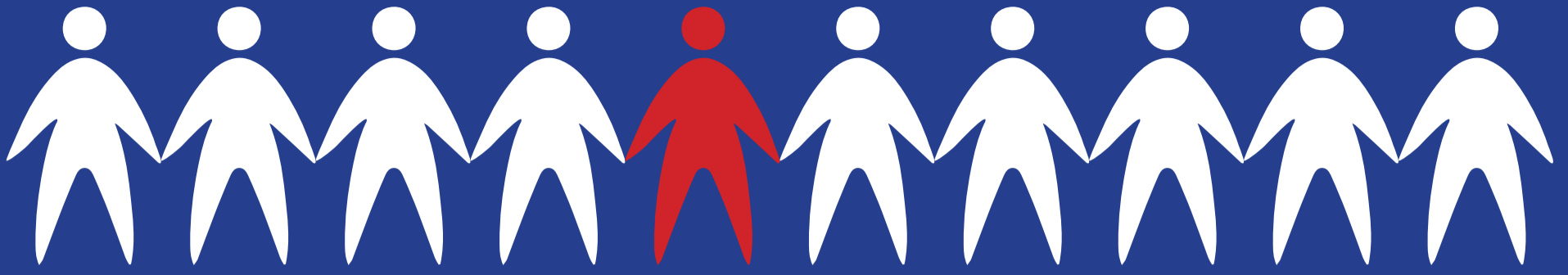
- Adverse reactions
- Antimicrobial resistance
- *C. difficile* infections
- Surgical site infections
- Length of hospital stays
- Healthcare costs
- Deaths

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