

Document the indication for antimicrobial use in

the prescription

Antimicrobials are a precious resource

Help keep antimicrobials working by documenting a meaningful indication for their use in each prescription



Documenting a meaningful indication on antimicrobial prescriptions facilitates:

- Thoughtful antimicrobial prescribing
- Communication between healthcare providers, with patients
- **Timely reassessment** of the appropriateness of antimicrobial use
- Reduced patient harm from inappropriate antimicrobial use
- Decreased errors through prescription misinterpretation
- Justification of non-guideline compliant prescribing
- Quality improvement initiatives including auditing

United to preserve antimicrobials









































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