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Statement European Forum for Primary Care (EFPC)

The European Forum for Primary Care (EFPC) states that

- in human medicine in Europe, the largest amount of antibiotics is prescribed and used in primary care
- in primary care, common viral infections are regularly treated with antibiotics
- patients' demand for antibiotics is among the pressures that add to over-prescription
- absence of updated knowledge of bacterial resistance patterns and of updated guidelines may lead to inadequate prescription of antibiotics as well

The EFPC

- can as a network organization, inform and mobilize its members to strengthen 1) monitoring of AMR and publication of results 2) prescribers' education 3) patient education
- and
- encourages strong interprofessional collaboration and communication on AMR within primary care to effectively address this multi-faceted public health threat



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