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RAISING AWARENESS ON AMR, A GROWING HEALTH THREAT FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS ALIKE

What EAP/YEAP Recommends

EAP and Young EAP urge health care professionals to promote judicious and safe use of antimicrobials, and to advocate for other sectors to address antimicrobial misuse. The emergence of universally-resistant organisms, against which no current effective therapeutic options exist, raises the possibility of a return to a pre-antibiotic era. The effects of this could be devastating globally: it should be a worldwide priority to prevent this situation from happening.

Education of paediatricians across Europe and across primary, secondary and tertiary care should cover the risks and benefits of antibiotic prescribing. Paediatricians must ensure they are prescribing with clear clinical indications, and not over-estimating risks of not treating or benefits of treating (Grossman et al, 2012).

We also urge you to check our EAP infographic to learn more about the role of different societal groups in tackling AMR by clicking on the image snippet below. Other useful EAP materials on AMR and Anti-Microbial Stewardship (AMS) include our factsheet with recommendations for health professionals and policy-makers.

Read more <http://eapaediatrics.eu/newsletter-article/young-eap-blog-october-2018-raising-awareness-on-amr-a-growing-health-threat-for-children-and-adults-alike/>