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**Supplementary Table S1. An example of search strategy applied for MEDLINE database.**

### MEDLINE

**Context**

1. (superbug* OR superinfection*):ti,ab
2. MH “Superinfection”
3. (multiresistant OR multiresistance OR "multi-resistant" OR "multi-resistance" OR MDR OR MDRO OR AMR):ti,ab
4. (((drug* OR multidrug OR “multi-drug” OR antimicrobial* OR “anti-microbial*” OR antiinfection* OR “anti-infection*” OR antibacterial* OR “anti-bacterial*” OR antibiotic* OR “anti-biotic*” OR resistant OR resistance OR tolerant OR tolerance)):ti,ab
5. MH "Drug Resistance"
6. MH "Drug Resistance, Microbial+"
7. MH "Drug Resistance, Multiple+"
8. MH "Drug Tolerance"
9. (“r factor*” OR “resistant factor*”):ti,ab
10. MH “R Factors”
11. (((antimicrobial OR “anti-microbial” OR antiinfection OR “anti-infection” OR antibacterial OR “anti-bacterial” OR antibiotic OR “anti-biotic”) N4 (stewardship)):ti,ab
12. MH "Anti-Infective Agents”
13. MH "Anti-Bacterial Agents"
14. OR/1-13

**Population**

15. (public OR population OR community OR citizen* OR household* OR resident* OR consumer* OR carer* OR caregiver* OR people OR adult* OR men OR women OR mother* OR father* OR parent* OR student* OR pupil* OR children OR adolescent* OR teenager*):ti,ab
16. MH “Caregivers”
17. MH “Men”
18. MH “Women”
MH “Parents”
MH “Fathers”
MH “Mothers”
MH “Students”
OR/17-22

**Intervention**

(intervention*):ti,ab

(training OR teaching OR education OR program* OR initiative* OR workshop* OR seminar* OR module* OR session* OR curriculum):ti,ab

MH “Teaching”
MH “Teaching Materials”
MH “Education”
MH “Models, Educational”
MH “Health Education”
MH “Education, Nonprofessional”
MH “Curriculum”

((written OR printed OR online OR oral OR disseminat* OR provi*) N2 (information OR advice OR resource* OR material*)):ti,ab

(pamphlet* OR handout* OR poster* OR leaflet* OR newsletter* OR brochure* OR booklet* OR TV OR television OR radio OR marketing OR advertising OR publicity OR campaign* OR "mass media" OR "communication media" OR outreach OR computer* OR Internet OR online OR website* OR "social media" OR "social network"* OR Facebook OR Twitter OR tweet OR blog* OR SMS OR "short messaging service"* OR text* OR email* OR podcast* OR smartphone* OR ((mobile OR cell OR smart) N1 (phone* OR telephone* OR app* OR application*)))):ti,ab

MH “Consumer Health Information”
MH “Health Promotion”
MH “Health Communication”
MH “Persuasive Communication”
MH “Public Health”
MH “Audio Visual Aids”
MH “Manuals as Topic”
MH “Pamphlets”
MH “Advertising as Topic”
MH “Marketing”
MH “Social Marketing”
MH “Mass Media”
MH “Social Networking”
MH “Social Media”
OR/24-48

**Outcomes**

MH “Program Evaluation”

((behavio#r N3 (change* OR changing OR alter* OR modification* OR modify OR modernizing OR modifies OR modified)) OR intention*):ti,ab

MH “Motivation”

MH "Intention"

(attention* OR belief* OR view* OR opinion* OR expectation* OR "anticipat* regret" OR knowledge OR awareness OR "health literacy" OR "risk perception**" OR "perceived risk**" OR "perceived susceptibility" OR "illness perception**" OR "treatment perception**"):ti,ab

MH “Attitude to Health”

MH “Health Knowledge, Attitudes, Practice”

MH “Health Literacy”

("perceived behavio#ral control" OR autonomy OR capacity OR "self-efficacy" OR competence OR confidence OR ability OR skill*):ti,ab

MH "Self Efficacy"

("perceived norm**" OR "injunctive norm**" OR "subjective norm**" OR "descriptive norm**" OR "moral norm**" OR "self-identity"):ti,ab

MH "Social Norms"

((medication* OR drug* OR antimicrobial* OR "anti-microbial**" OR antiinfection* OR "anti-infection**" OR antibacterial* OR "anti-bacterial**" OR antibiotic* OR "anti-biotic**") N4 (use OR used OR usage OR consumption OR purchase OR dispos* OR storage OR storing OR sharing OR shared OR expect* OR request*)):ti,ab
((inappropriat* OR irrational OR imprudent OR unnecessar* OR irresponsibl* OR misuse* OR improper* OR mistake* OR indiscriminat* OR suboptimum* OR bad OR overuse* OR excessiv* OR vary OR varied OR variation OR poor OR unsafe*) N4 (use OR usage OR utili?e OR treatment OR consumption OR purchas* OR dispos* OR storage OR sharing OR shared OR expectation* OR request*)):ti,ab

((appropriat* OR rational OR prudent OR judicious* OR optimal* OR correct OR proper* OR responsibl* OR safe* OR good OR decreas* OR limit* OR curb* OR minimi?e* OR minimal* OR lessen* OR curtail* OR abate* OR restrict* OR lower* OR discontinue* OR delay*) N4 (use OR usage OR utili?e OR treatment OR consumption OR purchas* OR dispos OR storage OR sharing OR shared OR expectation* OR request*)):ti,ab

MH "Drug-Seeking Behavior"

(compliance OR concordance OR adherence):ti,ab

MH "Medication Adherence"

("self-car*" OR "self-manag*" OR "self-monitor*" OR "self-medicat*"):ti,ab

MH "Self Care"

MH "Self Medication"

OR/50-70

Combination of all search strings

AND/14,23,49,71

Limit 72 to year 2000
Supplementary Table S2. Data extraction tool designed for the purpose of the study.

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Supplementary Table S3. Excluded studies with rationale.

**Design other than RCT, NRT, CBA or NCBA study**


15. McCarthy M. Many US parents have poor understanding of proper antibiotic use, study finds. *BMJ (Online)* 2015; **351**: h4009.


Participants recruited from HC settings

1. Alden DL, Tice AD, Berthiaume JT. Investigating approaches to improving appropriate antibiotic use among higher risk ethnic groups. *Hawaii Med J* 2010; **69**: 260-263.


**Context other than AMR**


Outcomes not related to AMR awareness antimicrobial stewardship

Full text not available


Other

Conference abstract of already reviewed study

*Full text not available in English/inability to translate*


*Article that refers to already reviewed study*


*Protocol of already reviewed study*


*Majority (74.3%) of respondents were HC professionals*