WHAT IS ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE?

**Bacteria** that have developed a resistance to treatment by antibiotics have an **antibiotic resistance**.

It’s when antibiotics stop working.

If things don’t change now, by 2050, 90,000 people in the UK will have died from antibiotic resistance.

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INFLUENCE ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE WILL HAVE ON YOU

- Antibiotic resistance affects everyone; even if you’re young
- Misuse of antibiotics causes antibiotic resistance
- 16-24 year olds are amongst the highest misusers of antibiotics
- A simple injury or minor infection could be fatal
- Operations and simple medical procedures will become increasingly risky and dangerous

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HOW CAN YOU HELP PREVENT ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE?

• Only take antibiotics when prescribed
  - follow your healthcare practitioner’s advice
• Don’t share antibiotics with others
• Prepare food hygienically
• Keep vaccinations up to date
• Practice safe sex
• Antibiotic resistance can also affect animals
  – always wash your hands after handling your pets

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