

# WORKING TOGETHER TO PROMOTE THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF ANTIMICROBIALS IN ANIMALS



## BACTERIA

Bacteria are everywhere – in the environment, in humans and in animals. *Antimicrobial drugs (antibiotics)* are used to treat and prevent bacterial infections in humans and animals. Any antimicrobial use can lead to resistance, but the *inappropriate* use speeds up the development and spread of **RESISTANT BACTERIA**.



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can spread between animals and humans through the food we eat or direct contact. *Antimicrobial resistance* is a serious public health problem **AROUND THE WORLD**.



## WHAT CAN BE DONE?

We all have a role to play to promote the **RESPONSIBLE USE** of antimicrobials, and to protect human and animal health from the threat of *antimicrobial resistance*.

Learn more about the [actions](#) Health Canada is taking to **ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM**.



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