



# Georgia Project Firstline

We are all connected in the fight against [antimicrobial resistance](#). Germs have no boundaries and pathogen transmission impacts our patients, health care systems, and communities. Investing in [infection prevention](#) reduces healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) and colonization, thus saving lives.







Engage with [Georgia Project Firstline](#) and empower your health care workers to think critically about daily infection prevention activities.

## FIGHT ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE WITH INFECTION CONTROL

**Antimicrobial resistance** happens when germs like bacteria and fungi develop the ability to defeat the drugs designed to kill them. That means the germs are not killed and continue to grow and spread.

As a frontline healthcare worker, you play an important role in fighting antimicrobial resistance.

When you practice infection control, you stop resistant germs from:

-  **Entering the body** and causing infections through procedures and medical devices
-  **Spreading to people** from surfaces like bedrails or the hands of healthcare workers
-  **Moving with patients** when they are transferred between facilities
-  **Spreading into the community**, making them harder to control

**Infection control fights resistance by:**



- Preventing new healthcare associated infections
- Stopping the spread of resistant germs
- Reducing the need for antibiotics or antifungals

Infection control also protects you from getting sick and decreases the risk of spreading germs to patients.

Check out Project Firstline resources to learn more about how you can protect your patients, yourself, and your community from antimicrobial resistance.

[www.cdc.gov/ProjectFirstline](http://www.cdc.gov/ProjectFirstline)

WE HAVE THE POWER TO STOP RESISTANT INFECTIONS. TOGETHER

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## Congratulations on achieving certification in infection prevention, CIC!



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Take advantage of [CDC Project Firstline](https://www.cdc.gov/projectfirstline/) free resources.

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