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**Detect, Respond, Contain**

**Equipping all states** and several large cities with lab expertise through CDC’s AR Lab Network and on-the-ground experts in the United States and around the world to combat AR threats.

**Investing in Prevention**

**Improving antibiotic use** across healthcare and veterinary settings globally to ensure antibiotics are used appropriately.

**Enhancing tracking** of AR pathogens for local prevention of healthcare-associated, foodborne, and community AR threats such as tuberculosis, ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae, and gonorrhea.

**Encourage Innovation**

**Inform the development of new drugs** and diagnostics by sharing isolates and CDC sequencing data.

**Spurring One Health innovation** to identify and implement new ways to prevent AR globally.

**Stop Resistance from Spreading, Emerging**

Strengthen domestic infrastructure by doubling AR investments in state and local health departments

**Strengthen National One Health Surveillance**

- Develop a Center of Excellence for whole genome sequencing related to healthcare-associated pathogens and other AR threats
- Measure existing AR ecology across One Health and monitor shifts over time
- Expand domestic capacity to fight AR across food, water, and the community

**Improve International AR Prevention, Surveillance, Control**

- Expand the AR Lab Network internationally to identify and respond to emerging threats
- Research how global water, hygiene, and sanitation systems impact AR

**Accelerate R&D for New Antibiotics, Other Therapeutics, and Vaccines**

Stop infections before they start by building a vaccine data platform to accelerate getting new vaccines to market and to evaluate their efficacy post-licensure

Learn more about CDC's AR Solutions Initiative: [www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance](http://www.cdc.gov/DrugResistance)