

Healthcare-associated Infections: A Snapshot of Media Coverage

"CDC's National Healthcare Safety Network is a critical tool for states to do prevention work. Once a state knows where problems lie, it can better assist facilities in correcting the issue and protecting patients."

– Thomas R. Frieden, MD, MPH,
CDC Director



The impact of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) on patients and the overall healthcare system continues to be an important topic for media. Increasingly, reporters are focusing on CDC's role in preventing HAIs by highlighting CDC scientific studies, prevention successes, awareness campaigns and conferences.

State Progress in Preventing Healthcare-Associated Infections

[Reuters: Hospitals see decline in care-related infections](#)

[Chattanooga Times Free Press: Infections acquired during hospitalizations declining in Tennessee](#)

Superbugs: Carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae*

[National Public Radio: Drug-Resistant Germ In Rhode Island Hospital Raises Worries](#)

[Wired: CDC: Superbug NDM-1 Spreads Within a US Hospital](#)

Preventing Infections in Outpatient Settings

[Wall Street Journal: At the Clinic, Care ... and Infection](#)

[MD News: Updated Infection Control Guidelines for Cancer Patients](#)

CDC Vital Signs: Making Healthcare Safer, Stopping *C. difficile* infections

[Wall Street Journal: The Latest on Clostridium difficile, From the CDC](#)

[Washington Post: CDC says *C. difficile* infections at "historic high"](#)

[Reuters: *C. difficile* Superbug Entering U.S. Hospitals Through The Front Door, CDC Says](#)

Appropriate Antibiotic Use in Healthcare

[Chicago Tribune: Health Department urges residents to Get Smart About Antibiotics](#)

[CIDRAP: CDC launches antibiotic tracking system for hospitals](#)

Infection Transmission with the Use of Single-Dose or Single-Use Vials for More Than One Patient

[National Public Radio Shots Blog: Staph Infections Tied To Misuse Of Drug Vials](#)

[MSNBC: Clinic staff infect patients by re-using drug vials](#)

[United Press International: Superbug MRSA linked to pain injections](#)

[HealthDay News: Reused Vials, Unsafe Injections Threatening Patients: CDC](#)