

PREVENT ANTIMICROBIAL A Campaign for Clinicians RESISTANCE



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12 STEPS TO PREVENT ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE AMONG HOSPITALIZED ADULTS

PREVENT INFECTION

- 1** Vaccinate
- 2** Get the catheters out

DIAGNOSE AND TREAT INFECTION EFFECTIVELY

- 3** Target the pathogen
- 4** Access the experts

USE ANTIMICROBIALS WISELY

- 5** Practice antimicrobial control
- 6** Use local data
- 7** Treat infection, not contamination
- 8** Treat infection, not colonization
- 9** Know when to say "no" to vanco
- 10** Stop treatment when infection is cured or unlikely

PREVENT TRANSMISSION

- 11** Isolate the pathogen
- 12** Break the chain of contagion