

Acronym GARPEC

Name Global Antibiotic Resistance,

Prescribing, and Efficacy among

neonates and Children

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There is a lack of high quality, standardized data on AB use and AMR in neonates and children worldwide. This limits ability to develop sustainable and widely applicable strategies for

- Minimizing selection of AMR
- Defining effective antibiotic treatment approaches
- Instituting infection control measures.

GARPEC aims to characterize antimicrobial prescription rates among neonatal and pediatric patients using periodic point prevalence surveys **and to assess bloodstream infection (BSI) burden and resistance patterns** among neonatal and pediatric patients using routinely collected laboratory data.

GARPEC's aims will be achieved by

- Designing, evaluating and implementing customized web-based tools for surveillance activities
- Providing training and support in using these data entry tools
- Establishing a secure central repository for all anonymized data
- Providing a platform for future collaborative research.

A pilot of GARPEC activities will take place in the spring of 2015 in a number of selected centres across 6 continents.