The Threat of Antibiotic Resistance

63% of infectious disease doctors have treated patients with infections that did not respond to any antibiotics.

$20 billion

Direct health care costs incurred by patients suffering from antibiotic-resistant infections each year.

Every antibiotic in use today is based on a discovery made more than 30 years ago.

No registered classes of antibiotics discovered after 1984

2 million Americans acquire serious infections caused by antibiotic-resistant bacteria each year.

23,000 people die each year as a direct result of these infections.
CRE, or carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, have been deemed "nightmare bacteria" by CDC, which classified the pathogen as an urgent threat.

As of 2001, CRE was reported in one state. As of early 2016, CRE was found in 48 states.

Sources


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