



### INFECTION PREVENTION HIGHLIGHTED AT BETHESDA HEALTH CARE

This week is International Infection Prevention Week and the theme is 'Antibiotic Resistance'. The aim of this week is to raise awareness of the role infection prevention plays to improve patient safety. Bethesda Health Care want to spread this important message: *infection prevention and antibiotic resistance are everyone's business.*

Amanda Hill, Clinical Nurse, Infection Prevention & Control (IP&C) at Bethesda Health Care said that 'effective infection prevention and control is vital to achieve high quality care for patients. This week allows us to share the hospital's comprehensive initiatives and ongoing education with our community –staff, doctors, patients and visitors to the hospital'.

Throughout the week the Bethesda Health Care staff will be receiving infection prevention education via travelling road shows facilitated by the IP&C staff in conjunction with key company representatives involved with infection control and prevention. There are quizzes for staff and visitors to participate in with prizes on offer.

In the hospital foyer there is a display board providing information brochures and posters aimed at highlighting the importance of infection prevention.

The IP&C team have emailed a link to all staff at Bethesda Health Care requesting for them to join them in the hospital's commitment to infection prevention and control by signing the pledge below;

<http://professionals.site.apic.org/get-social/preventing-infections-starts-with-me/>

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