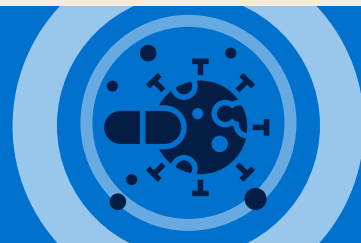


ANTIBIOTIC AMNESTY

Our annual Antibiotic Amnesty campaign aims to combat the rise of antibiotic resistance by reducing the number of antibiotics being used unnecessarily and unsafely.

The overuse of antibiotics has led to the rise of antibiotic resistance.

The more antibiotics are used, the less effective they become at stopping bacteria, and the less they work at making us better when we need them.



10 million

An estimated 10 million global deaths will be caused by antibiotic resistance in 2050, if we don't take action today.

How can we combat the rise of antibiotic resistance?



Only take antibiotics when advised by a health professional, complete the course of antibiotics and follow the three tips below.



Never save antibiotics for later or share them with others.



Never flush antibiotics down the sink or toilet.



Hand in your old or unused antibiotics at any local pharmacy.

Last year was the second year of our Antibiotic Amnesty campaign. During our month-long amnesty in November 2022, we urged everyone across the Midlands to return old or unused antibiotics to any local pharmacy for safe disposal.

Our Antibiotic Amnesty 2022 by the numbers

343

A total of 343 pharmacies in the Midlands supported our amnesty.

883

Across the Midlands, 883 full and part packs of antibiotics were safely disposed of after being handed in at pharmacies.



4,678

Local pharmacists had 4,678 conversations with the public about our amnesty and its importance to patient safety.



Thank you for supporting our campaign. Follow the link to learn more www.birminghamsohull.icb.nhs.uk/antibiotics