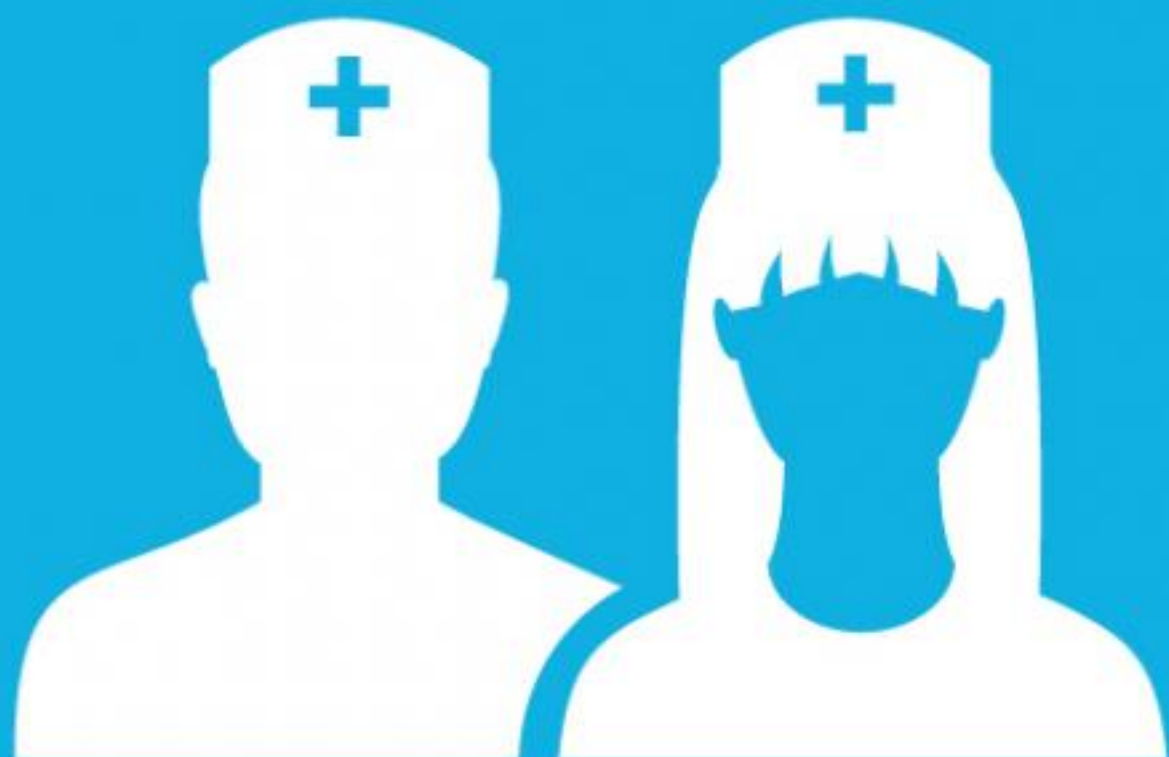


ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

WHAT CAN **NURSES** DO?



Antibiotic Resistance happens when bacteria change and become resistant to the antibiotics used to treat the infections they cause.



- ✓ Do you always follow infection prevention & control protocols?
- ✓ When your patient needs antibiotics, do you make sure they're taking the right dose, for the right time, and by the best route?
- ✓ Do you talk to patients about how to take antibiotics correctly, antibiotic resistance & the dangers of misuse?
- ✓ Do you talk to patients about preventing infections (e.g. vaccination, hand washing, safer sex, covering nose & mouth when sneezing)?
- ✓ *And if you prescribe medication:*
Do you only prescribe & dispense antibiotics when they are needed, according to current guidelines?