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Combating Antimicrobial Resistance in the Caribbean

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Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago



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The Agency

- Merger of five (5) previous regional health institutions
 - Caribbean Environmental Health Institute (CEHI)
 - Caribbean Epidemiology Centre (CAREC)
 - Caribbean Food and Nutrition Institute (CFNI)
 - Caribbean Health Research Council (CHRC)
 - Caribbean Regional Drug Testing Laboratory (CRDTL)
- An institution of the CARICOM Community
- Established by Inter-Governmental Agreement, signed in July 2011 by Heads of State



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- Caribbean jurisdiction
- Headquartered in Trinidad and Tobago
- On a global public health playing field



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Objectives of this meeting

- To raise awareness of AMR and strengthen liaison and coordination with key stakeholders in the Caribbean
- To determine opportunities to build and strengthen networks;
- To build a shared understanding of the AMR situation in the Caribbean and the opportunities for mitigating and overcoming the broad based threats and challenges of AMR;

Objectives of this meeting

- To identify the initial key steps required to strengthen public health microbiology laboratories, laboratory based data quality, surveillance capacity, epidemiological expertise, prevention and control of health care associated infections, and antimicrobial stewardship;
- To develop a practical roadmap for implementation and coordination of activities to combat AMR in the Caribbean.

Expected outputs of this meeting

- Presentations
- Draft report that can be used to produce a regional AMR report
 - Advocacy
 - List priority pathogens
 - Data on burden of disease
- Draft recommendations for CARPHA
- Opportunities for collaboration identified

How we will work

- Agenda
 - Presentations
 - Q&A
 - Plenary
 - Group work
 - Wrap up



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Role of Working Group - Chair

- Responsible for the orderly and efficient conduct of the group:
 - Open and close meetings of the working group;
 - Clearly introduce, as needed, with the assistance of the Secretariat, each item on the agenda;
 - Recognize and give the floor to a delegate;
 - Encourage participants to focus on key issues;
 - Ensure that the working group completes its task(s) on time with a completed powerpoint presentation for the plenary session;
 - Report back to the plenary session the results of the working groups deliberations.



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Role of Working Group - Facilitator

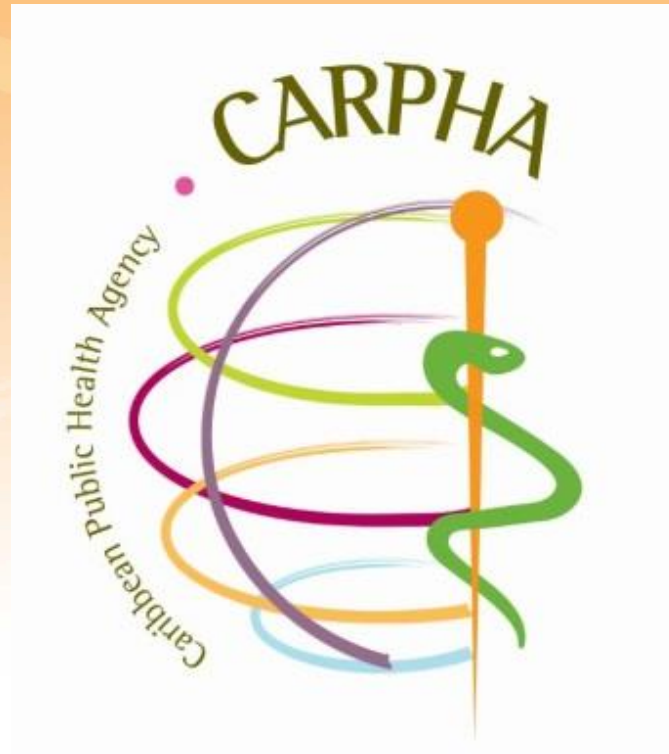
- Responsible for supporting chair:
 - Chair to be elected from MS delegates
 - Introductions
 - Support chair to outline outputs required and time available
 - Stimulate debate, but remain neutral
 - Assist chair to keep discussions on track
 - Document! Document! Document!
 - Work with chair to ensure powerpoint presentation is ready by the end of the session



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