AR Solutions in Action

CDC's Investments to Combat Antibiotic Resistance Threats

FISCAL YEAR 2019

MISSISSIPPI

\$519,732

Funding for AR Activities Fiscal Year 2019

One local CDC fellow

FUNDING TO STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENTS



\$416.926

RAPID DETECTION & RESPONSE: State, territory, and local public health partners fight antibiotic resistance in healthcare, the community, and food. Programs use the AR Lab Network to rapidly detect threats and implement prevention, response, and antibiotic stewardship to stop the spread of resistant germs.

With 2018 funding, Mississippi rapidly implemented containment measures in response to multiple cases of carbapenemase-producing organisms, including screening of contacts and four infection control assessments. Mississippi also worked with healthcare facilities to review and validate HAI data and provide infection control guidance, resulting in at least one facility already demonstrating a rapid decline in some HAIs.



\$90,806

FOOD SAFETY projects protect communities by rapidly identifying drug-resistant foodborne bacteria to stop and solve outbreaks and improve prevention.

Mississippi uses whole genome sequencing to track and monitor local outbreaks of *Listeria*, *Salmonella*, Campylobacter, and E. coli and uploads sequence data into PulseNet for nationwide monitoring of outbreaks and trends. In Fiscal Year 2020, Mississippi will continue monitoring these isolates for resistance genes. When outbreaks are detected, local CDC-supported epidemiologists investigate the cases to stop spread.



GONORRHEA RAPID DETECTION & RESPONSE works with state and local epidemiology and laboratory partners to test for and quickly respond to resistant gonorrhea to stop its spread in high-risk communities. Only one treatment option remains for gonorrhea and resistance continues to grow.

To help inform national treatment guidelines for gonorrhea, Mississippi participates in the Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP), testing how well antibiotics work on laboratory samples from sentinel STD clinics, which are often the first to detect the threat.

AR: antibiotic resistance HAI: healthcare-associated infection

CDC provides critical support in the U.S. and abroad to protect people from antibiotic resistance.

