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## **AMA submission – Antimicrobial resistance strategy discussion paper**

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The AMA supports national strategies to prevent and contain antimicrobial resistance in Australia.

The AMA considers that the draft strategy outlined in the discussion paper provides an excellent framework for coordinating an overarching national approach to the threat of antimicrobial resistance.

It builds on and refines existing programs as well as identifying additional approaches. In particular we support additional effort in ensuring appropriate and ethical use of antibiotics in aged care facilities.

We note that the recommended actions are high level at this stage with more work required to develop implementation plans and secure necessary funding.

We look forward to participating in future consultation at the appropriate time when this is further developed.

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