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UPDATED MRSA RESOURCES

Given the continued public interest in MRSA, we have compiled this updated list of resources to assist clinicians and community partners in Orange County.

Resources for physicians and other health care providers

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- CDC, AMA, and Infectious Diseases Society of America algorithm: Outpatient management of skin and soft tissue infections in the era of community-acquired MRSA, including options for antimicrobial treatment: http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/pdf/ar/AMA_Flyer_Final.pdf
- CDC presentation on CA-MRSA for clinicians: <http://www.emergency.cdc.gov/coca/callinfo.asp>
- Strategies for Clinical Management of MRSA in the Community: Summary of an Experts' Meeting Convened by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/pdf/ar/CAMRSA_ExpMtgStrategies.pdf
- CDC questions and answers on community-associated MRSA for physicians:
http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca_clinicians.html
- Orange County Public Health: <http://www.ochealthinfo.com/epi/mrsa/providers.htm>
- *JAMA* article on incidence of invasive MRSA infections:
<http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/reprint/298/15/1763.pdf>

Resources for patients

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- California Department of Public Health (CDPH): A Parent's Guide to MRSA in California
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/discond/Documents/MRSAParentsGuide.pdf>
- Orange County Public Health:
<http://www.ochealthinfo.com/docs/public/epi/mrsa/MRSA-FactSheet.pdf>
- Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* for Athletes (CDPH):
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/discond/Documents/CAMRSAForAthletes.pdf>

Resources for schools

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- Skin Infections and MRSA for California Schools (CDPH):
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/discond/Documents/07MRSAschool.pdf>
- Community-Associated (CA-MRSA)/Staph Infections: A Guideline for Athletic Departments (CDPH):
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/discond/Documents/CAMRSAInfectionsGuidelineAthleticsDepartment.pdf>

General resources

CDC: http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/ar_mrsa_ca_public.html

CDPH: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/healthinfo/discond/Pages/MRSA.aspx>

Reporting

- Please report any clusters or outbreaks, including those of MRSA, to Orange County Public Health Epidemiology at 714-834-8180.
- Individual cases of MRSA are not reportable.

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