

Westminster Health policy conference:

Next steps for tackling antimicrobial resistance in the UK

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 21st April 2026

Taking place online

Draft agenda subject to change

8.30	Registration	
9.00	<u>Chair's opening remarks</u>	Senior Parliamentarian
9.05	<u>Assessing the current state of antimicrobial resistance and next steps for developing surveillance and preparedness</u>	Dr Colin Brown , Head, Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare Associated Infections, and Deputy Director, Epidemic and Emerging Infections, UK Health Security Agency Questions and comments from the floor
9.30	<u>Enhancing prevention, targeted prescribing and workforce education</u>	<i>prescribing in primary care, online-first and private prescribing settings reducing reliance on antimicrobials unintended exposure, infection prevention and control practice community pharmacy and reducing unnecessary antimicrobial use strengthening workforce education and public awareness digital health tools for prescribing, and infection prevention and control developing and scaling innovations in detection, diagnosis and outbreak response tackling infection burden inequalities priorities for supporting patients impacted by AMR implications from the National Audit Office's work on AMR and expectations for performance monitoring and progress review</i> Dr Sheikh Mateen Ellahi , GP Partner, Elm Tree Medical Centre Senior representative, education Senior representative, pharmacy Senior representative, patients Senior representative, innovation Questions and comments from the floor
10.20	<u>Next steps for embedding stewardship across hospital and community care and alignment with the 10 Year Health Plan</u>	Professor Matt Inada-Kim , National Clinical Director, Infection Management and Antimicrobial Resistance, NHS England Questions and comments from the floor
10.45	<u>Chair's closing remarks</u>	Senior Parliamentarian
10.50	Break	
11.00	<u>Chair's opening remarks</u>	Senior Parliamentarian
11.05	<u>Strengthening the UK's position as a leader in antimicrobial resistance policy - international partnerships and financial models</u>	Peter Howitt , Policy Lead, Fleming Initiative
11.15	<u>Opportunities for enhancing cross-sector coordination, monitoring, and risk evaluation across health, agriculture and the environment</u>	Senior commentator Questions and comments from the floor
11.25		
11.40	<u>'Supporting AMR innovation with regulatory science'</u>	Dr Carmen Coxon , Regulatory Scientist, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency
11.50	<u>Advancing antimicrobial innovation - incentives, clinical development and emerging technologies</u>	<i>assessing the UK Antimicrobial Products Subscription Model and its impact on investment and access strengthening investor confidence international push and pull incentive models innovation alongside stewardship market approval and routes to adoption whole-genome sequencing in product development and surveillance alignment of global and UK regulatory approaches, including updated clinical trial frameworks opportunities for AI in accelerating research streamlining access to alternative therapies, including phage-based medicines infrastructure to support rapid diagnostic tools implications from the Life Sciences Sector Plan for research, innovation and commercial development</i> Professor Christopher Dowson , Professor, Microbiology, University of Warwick Senior representative, industry Senior representative, diagnostics Senior representative, genomics Senior representative, AI Questions and comments from the floor
12.15		
12.45	<u>Next steps for antimicrobial resistance policy in the UK</u>	Senior representative, policy Questions and comments from the floor
13.10	<u>Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks</u>	Senior Parliamentarian Tess Mitchell-Thomas , Westminster Health Forum

