

## Antimicrobial Resistance Debate on 2 May 2019

This briefing identifies relevant reports and useful documents, including recent parliamentary materials and press articles, which may be of assistance to Members in preparing for the following debate:

Lord Lansley to move that this House takes note of *Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance 2019–2024: the UK’s five-year national action plan*.

Copies of the materials are available for collection from the Library.

### Key Information

- HM Government, [Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance 2019–2024: The UK’s Five-year National Action Plan](#), 24 January 2019; and [Contained and Controlled: The UK’s 20-year Vision for Antimicrobial Resistance](#), 24 January 2019

*New Government plan aimed at tackling the growing issue of antimicrobial resistance (AMR), covering the next five years. The document sets out plans to reduce the need for and to optimise the use of antimicrobials, and for further investment in tackling AMR. The plan is accompanied by an additional document providing the Government’s AMR objectives over the next 20 years.*

- House of Commons Health and Social Care Committee, [Antimicrobial Resistance](#), 22 October 2018, HC 962 of session 2017–19, pp 2–18; and [Government Response](#), 24 January 2019, CPI3

*Committee report, and government response, considering the issue of AMR. The committee report discusses AMR in the context of the pharmaceutical industry, and through the use of antimicrobials in the care of humans and animals.*

- House of Lords Library, [Leaving the EU: Antimicrobial Resistance](#), 7 August 2018; and Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology, [Reservoirs of Antimicrobial Resistance](#), 19 February 2019

*Parliamentary briefings looking at the issue of AMR. These include background on the scale of the issue, and information on EU and UK policy.*

- Public Health England, [English Surveillance Programme for Antimicrobial Utilisation and Resistance](#), October 2018, pp 5–8

*Executive summary of a report examining the UK’s progress in tackling AMR, in the context of the Government’s previous [five-year strategy](#) (published in 2013).*

- Access to Medicine Foundation, [Antimicrobial Resistance Benchmark 2018](#), January 2018, pp 6–9

*Executive summary of paper considering how pharmaceutical companies around the world are responding to antimicrobial resistance.*

### Parliamentary Debate, Statements and Questions

- [QSD on 'Antimicrobial Resistance'](#), HL Hansard, 8 March 2018, cols 118–30
- A selection of written questions from the House of Commons: [235308](#) (29 March 2019); [231971](#) (18 March 2019); [228683](#) (11 March 2019); [228682](#) (11 March 2019); [225531](#) (5 March 2019); [221729](#) (22 February 2019); and [221728](#) (22 February 2019)

### Press Articles and Comment

- BBC News, '[Take Over Pharma to Create New Medicines, Says Top Adviser](#)', 27 March 2019; and '[How Antibiotic Resistance Could Take Us Back to the 'Dark Ages'](#)', 1 November 2018
- Monsey McLeod et al, '[A Whole Health–Economy Approach to Antimicrobial Stewardship: Analysis of Current Models and Future Direction](#)', *PLoS Med*, 29 March 2019

### Further Information

- Government Website, '[Antimicrobial Resistance](#)', accessed 24 April 2019
- NHS England, '[Antimicrobial Stewardship](#)', accessed 25 April 2019
- National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, '[NICE Impact Antimicrobial Resistance](#)', November 2018
- Review on Antimicrobial Resistance, '[Tackling Drug-resistant Infections Globally: Final Report and Recommendations](#)', May 2016; and '[Government Response](#)', September 2016
- Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, '[Stemming the Superbug Tide: Just A Few Dollars More](#)', 7 November 2018
- World Health Organisation, '[Antimicrobial Resistance](#)', accessed 25 April 2019

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