Business Case for Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs

Business Case for ABS Programs - The Association of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (AMMI Canada) Antimicrobial Stewardship and Resistance Committee (ASRC) has authored a Business Case document for Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs. The intent of this initiative is to facilitate healthcare leaders in acquiring the necessary resources from healthcare administrators to launch or improve their own antimicrobial stewardship programs.

AMMI Canada's *Business Case for Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs in Acute Care, Cancer Care, Rehabilitation, and Complex Continuing Care* consists of the two accompanying complementary files: a Microsoft Word© document, and a Microsoft Excel© spreadsheet. These documents are also accessible online by clicking here or copy and past into your browser: https://www.ammi.ca/?ID=126

Please read through the documents carefully, bearing in mind the following:

- If you are unfamiliar with using Word or Excel, enlist some local help.
- You will see that this business case is written with a Canadian context in mind, and uses Canadian data where possible. You will find that some of the information may not be relevant to your needs. Modify or delete as necessary.
- Healthcare administrators are busy. They will likely focus on the Executive Summary. The Executive Summary should be no longer than 2 pages in length, preferably 1-1.5 pages.
- There are several "place holders" which are highlighted. These require your own input with local data. If you do not have this data, and cannot get it, feel free to delete these sections. We strongly encourage you to try and get local data—it will strengthen your case considerably.
- Similarly, fill the Excel Spreadsheet with as much local data as possible.

AMMI considers these files "open source": you can use and customize these files as you see fit. Please provide AMMI Canada with feedback on your experience with these files and their content, so that they can improve them for future users. Feedback can be submitted to AMMI Canada via email to Natalee Rubec, Committee Coordinator, natalee@ammi.ca.