Nebraska Antimicrobial Stewardship Updates

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Objectives

- Summarize current antimicrobial stewardship data across healthcare settings in Nebraska
- Identify resources for ongoing education and training for healthcare professionals to enhance their antimicrobial stewardship knowledge and skills

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Program Structure & Activities

Nebraska ASAP is a public health partnership with Nebraska Medicine that is funded by the Nebraska DHHS HAI/AR Program through CDC grants

- Assessment of a facility's AS program guided by the CDC Core Elements
- Provision of leadership support and resources such as justification material, policy support, and business plans
- Assistance with tracking and benchmarking of antimicrobial use and AS interventions
- Assistance with NHSN data submission
- Education of AS personnel and clinicians
- Provision of consultative expertise (ID physician, Pharmacist, IP) to implement best practices for AS

Hospitals

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CDC Core Element Implementation
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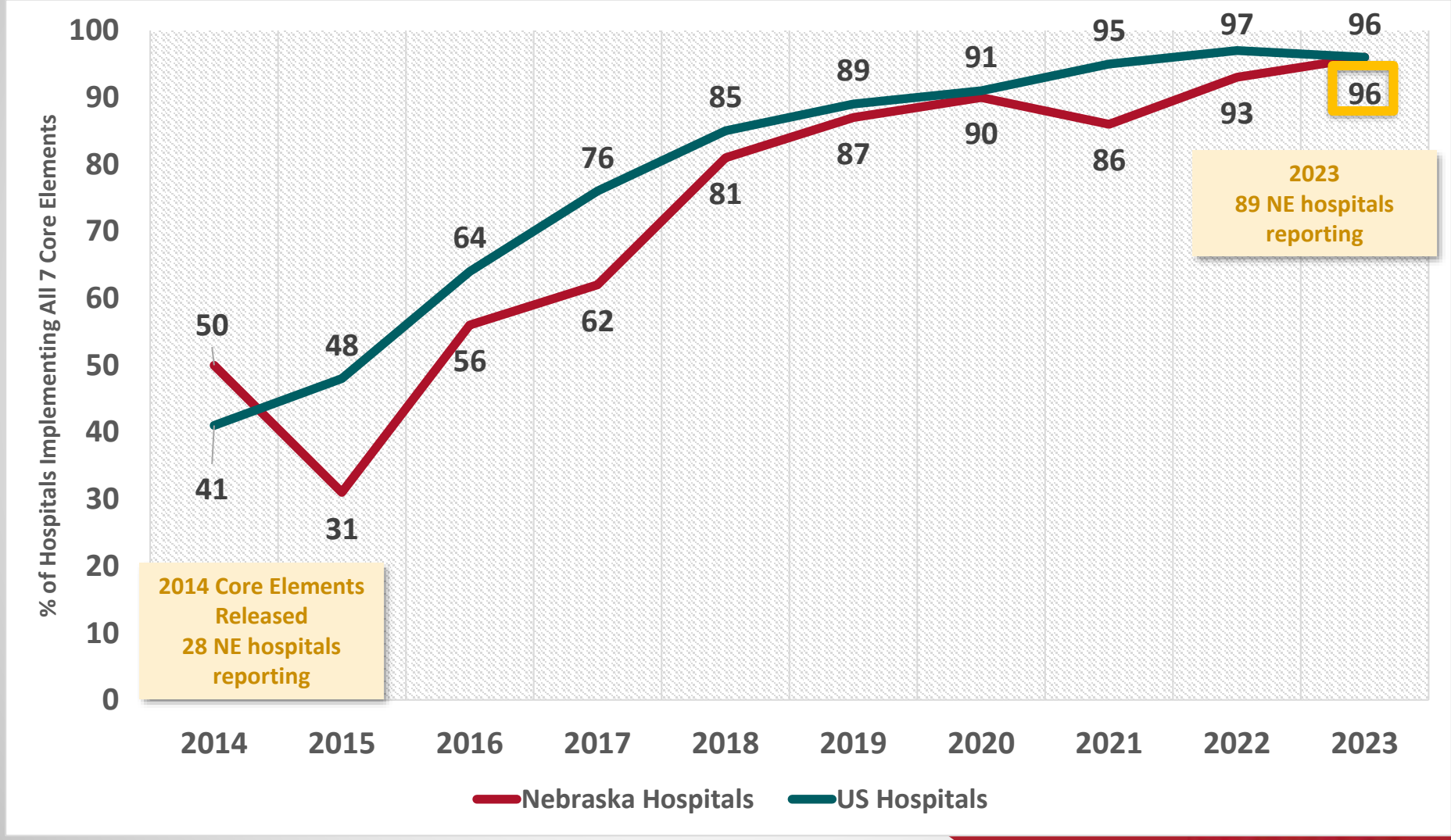

Data Source: NHSN Annual Survey - Nebraska | A.R. & Patient Safety Portal (cdc.gov)

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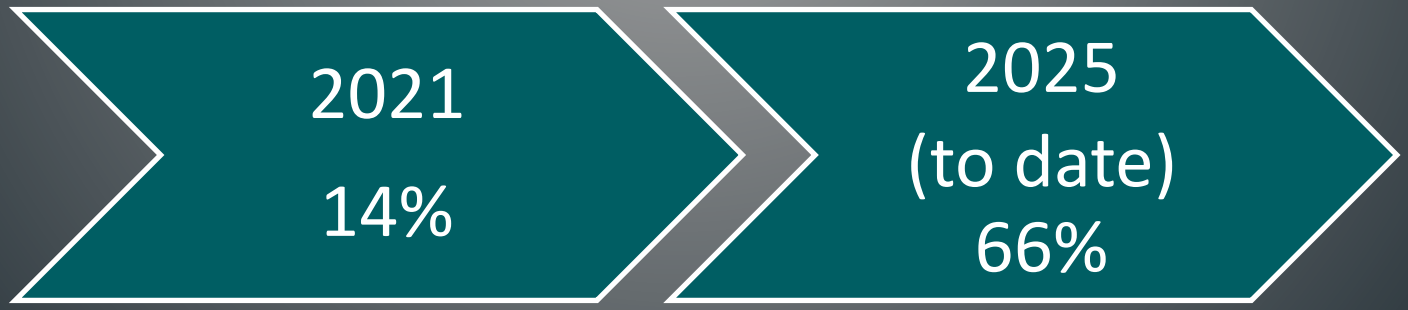
NHSN Antibiotic Use and Resistance Module

Rapid increase in number of Nebraska hospitals reporting antibiotic use



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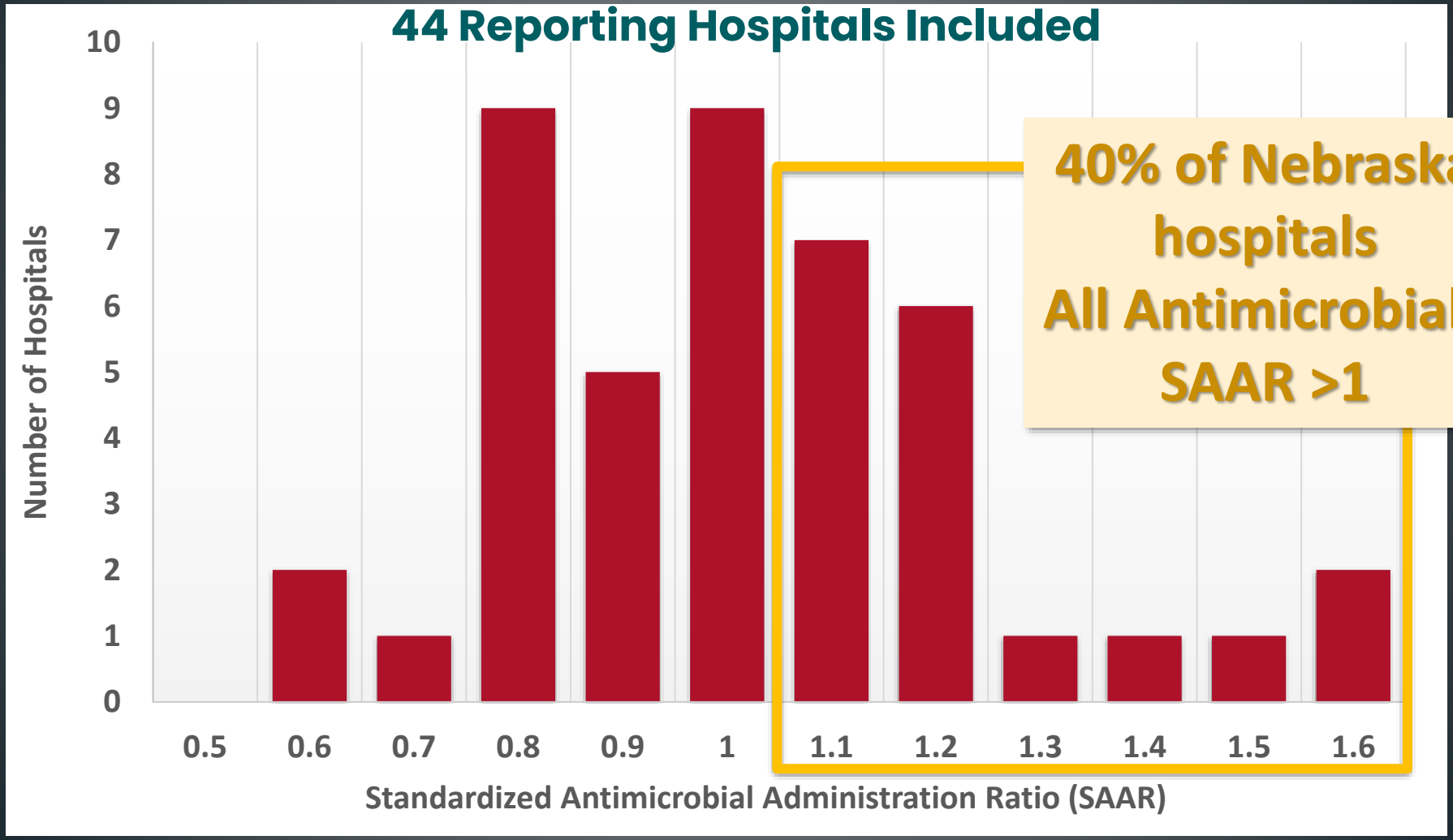
Inpatient Antibiotic Use | A.R. & Patient Safety Portal (cdc.gov)

Nebraska Statewide SAAR Distribution – All Antimicrobials, Adult Patients, 2024

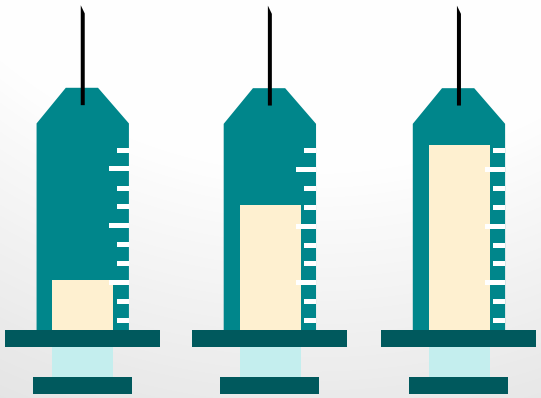


Data Source: NHSN AUR Module

2024 Nebraska Hospital Antibiotic Use: Rates/1,000 Days Present*

64 Hospitals, Adult Inpatient Data Only

Hospital Size	Ceftriaxone	Cefepime	Meropenem	Vancomycin	Piperacillin/ Tazobactam	Levofloxacin
<25 Beds (39 Hospitals)	106	24	11	45	43	22
26-150 Beds (14 Hospitals)	70	36	14	62	59	14
>150 Beds (11 Hospitals)	53	35	11	49	56	14
All Hospitals	62	36	12	54	58	15



*Note: the NHSN denominator of days present should not be directly compared to patient days as there is a difference of 25-30%

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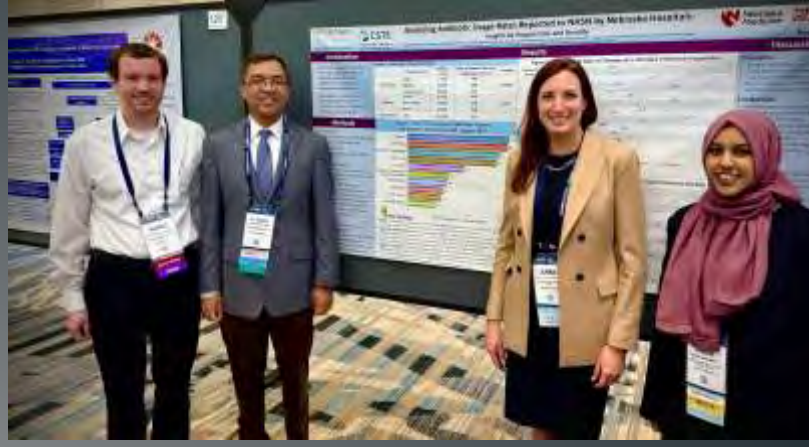


We analyzed 2023-2024 NHSN data to characterize antibiotic usage rates for Nebraska hospitals stratified by hospital size and rurality.

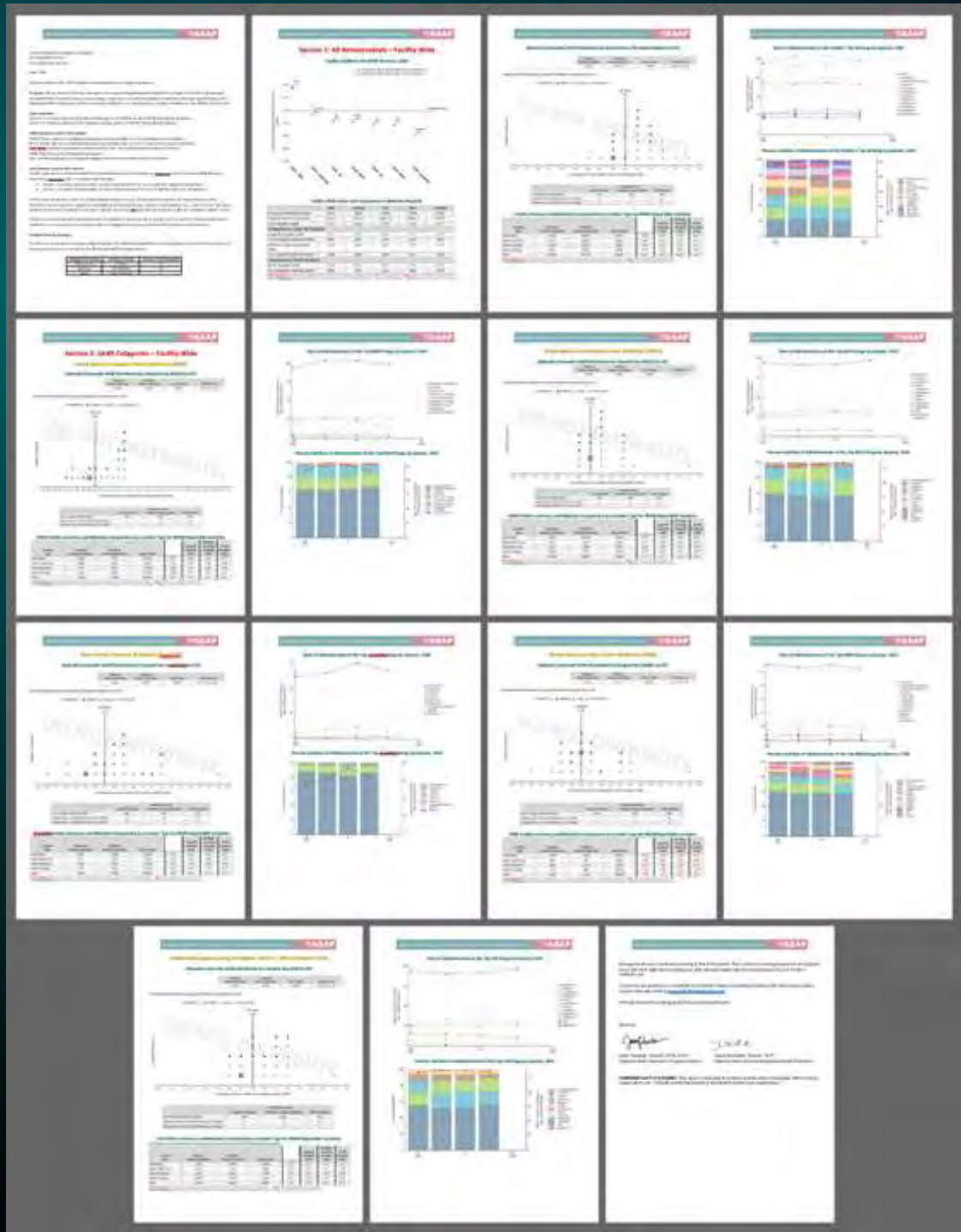
No significant difference in total prescribing rates by hospital size or rurality.

- **Critical Access vs. Large Hospitals:**
  Higher use of ceftriaxone (1.8x), fluoroquinolones (2.2x), and azithromycin (2.3x)
- **Rural vs. Urban Hospitals:**
  Higher use of ceftriaxone (1.9x), fluoroquinolones (2.3x), and azithromycin (2.2x)
- **No significant differences** between medium vs. large hospitals or semi-urban vs. urban hospitals

View all of the results here: SHEA-2025-ASAP poster

Annual Hospital NHSN Antibiotic Use Reports

- State of Nebraska benchmarking data
  - Antibiotic categories
  - Specific antibiotic drugs
  - Hospital size
  - Location (ward, ICU, etc.)
- Facility-level data
  - Antibiotic usage rates by drug
  - Top 10 antibiotics used in each category



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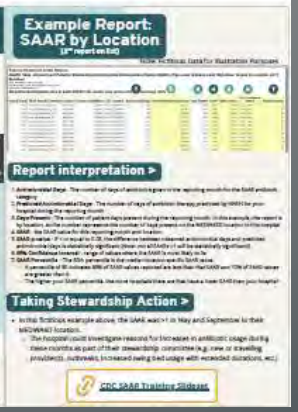
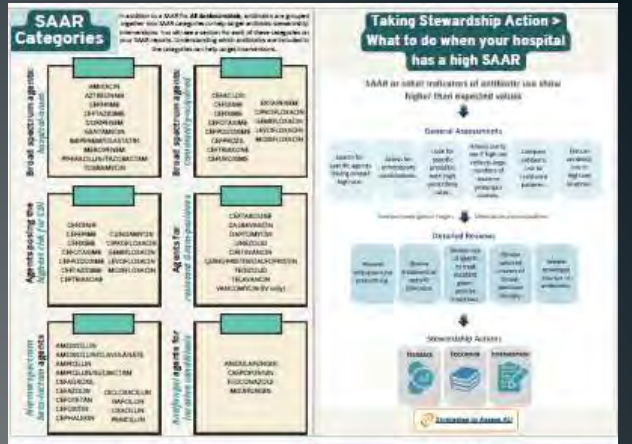
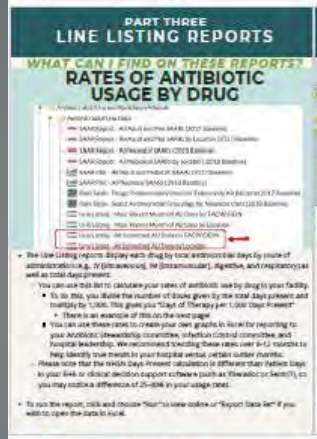
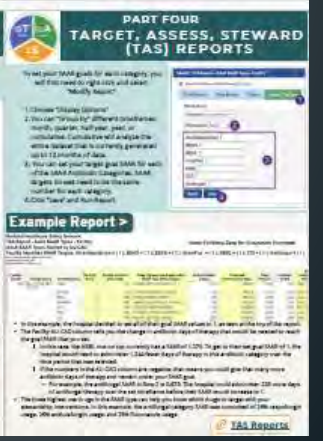
Nebraska ASAP NHSN AUR How To Guide

[Link: Nebraska ASAP NHSN AUR How To Guide]









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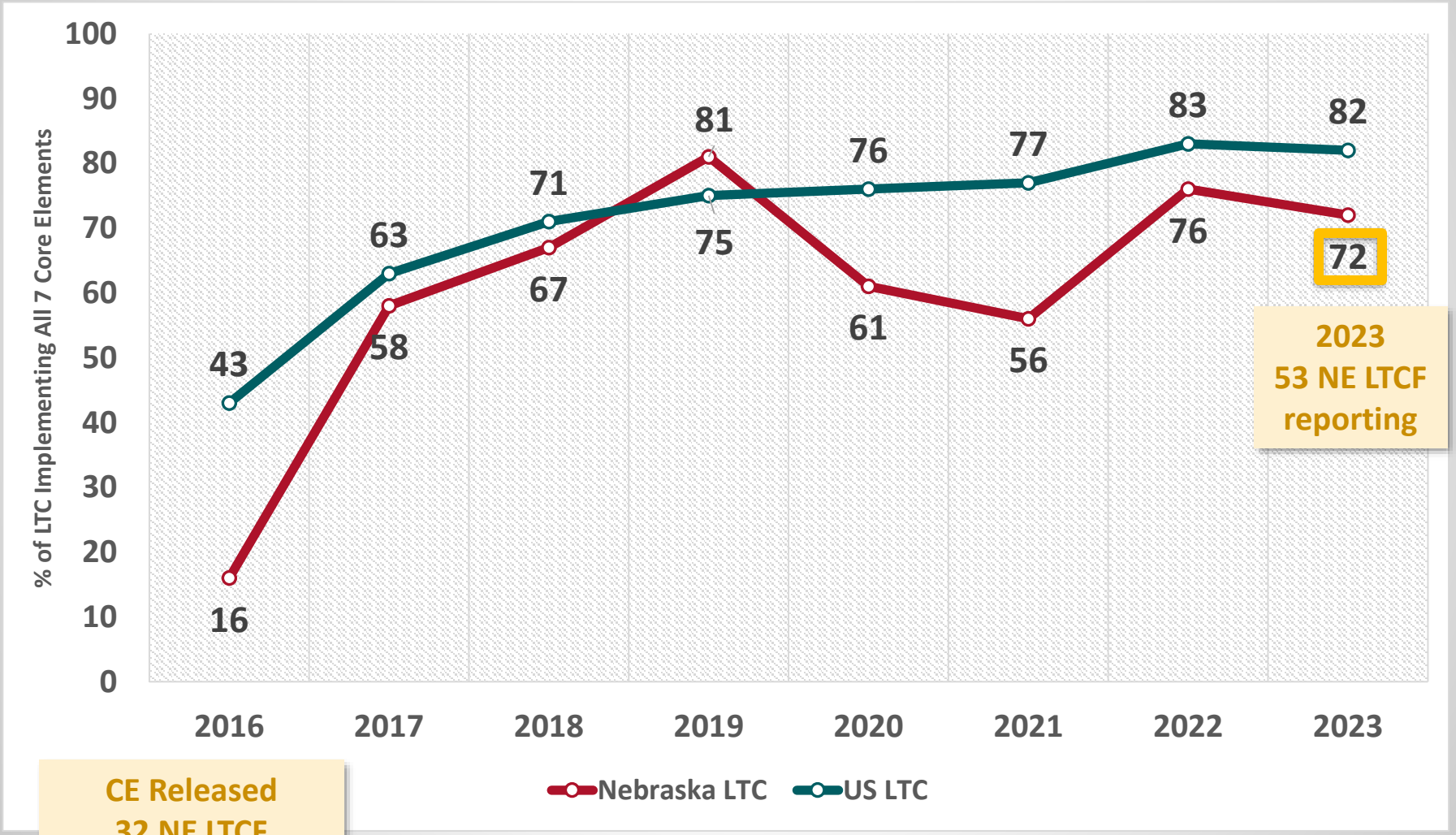
CDC Core Element Implementation
Long-Term Care



CE Released
32 NE LTCF
reporting

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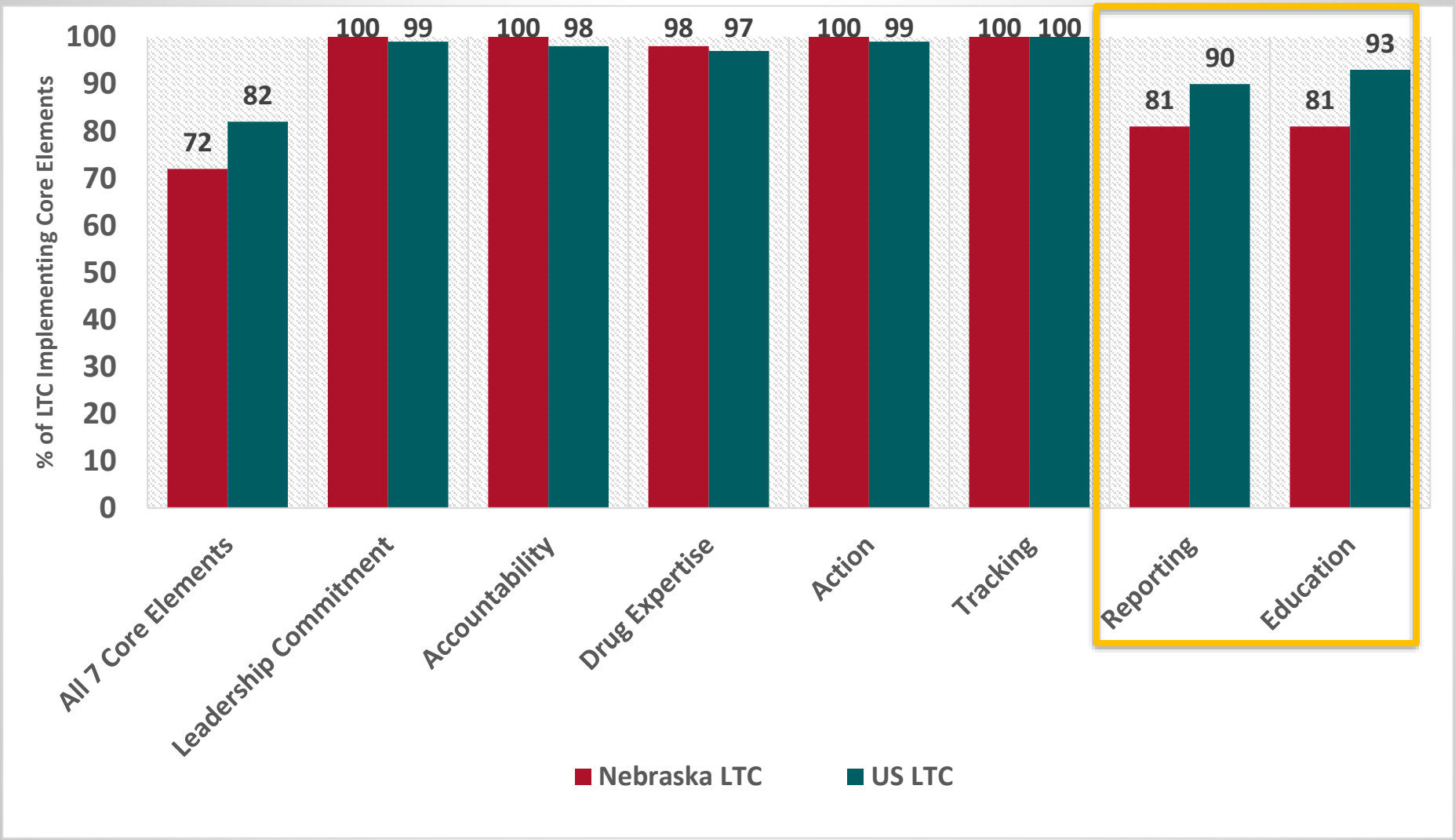
Long-Term Care 2023



New Update!
ASAP LTC Infection Control and Antibiotic Stewardship Tracking Tool

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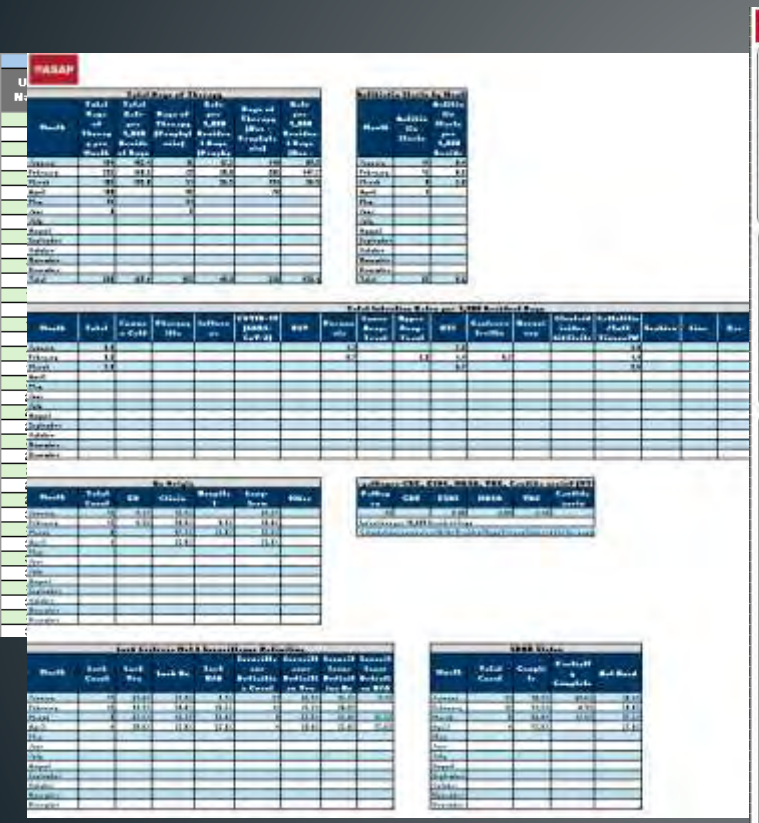
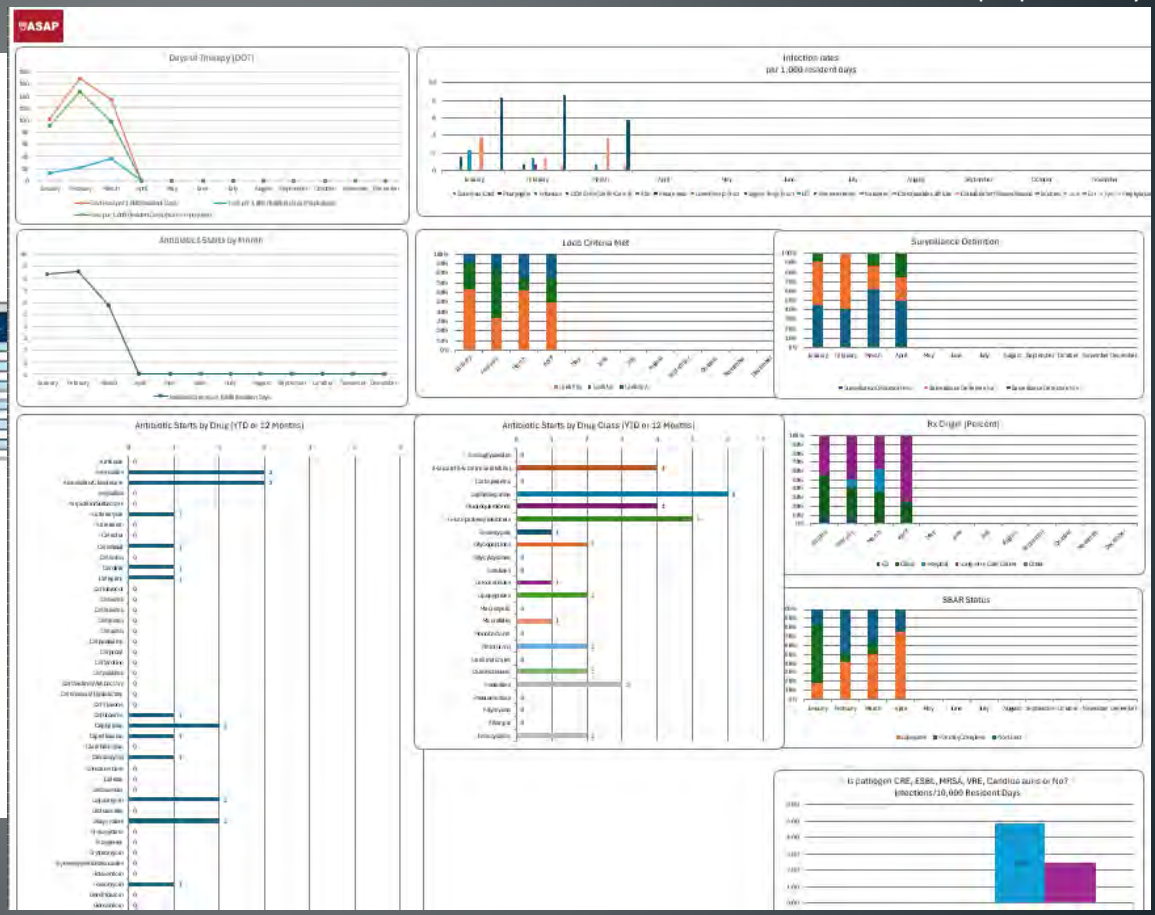




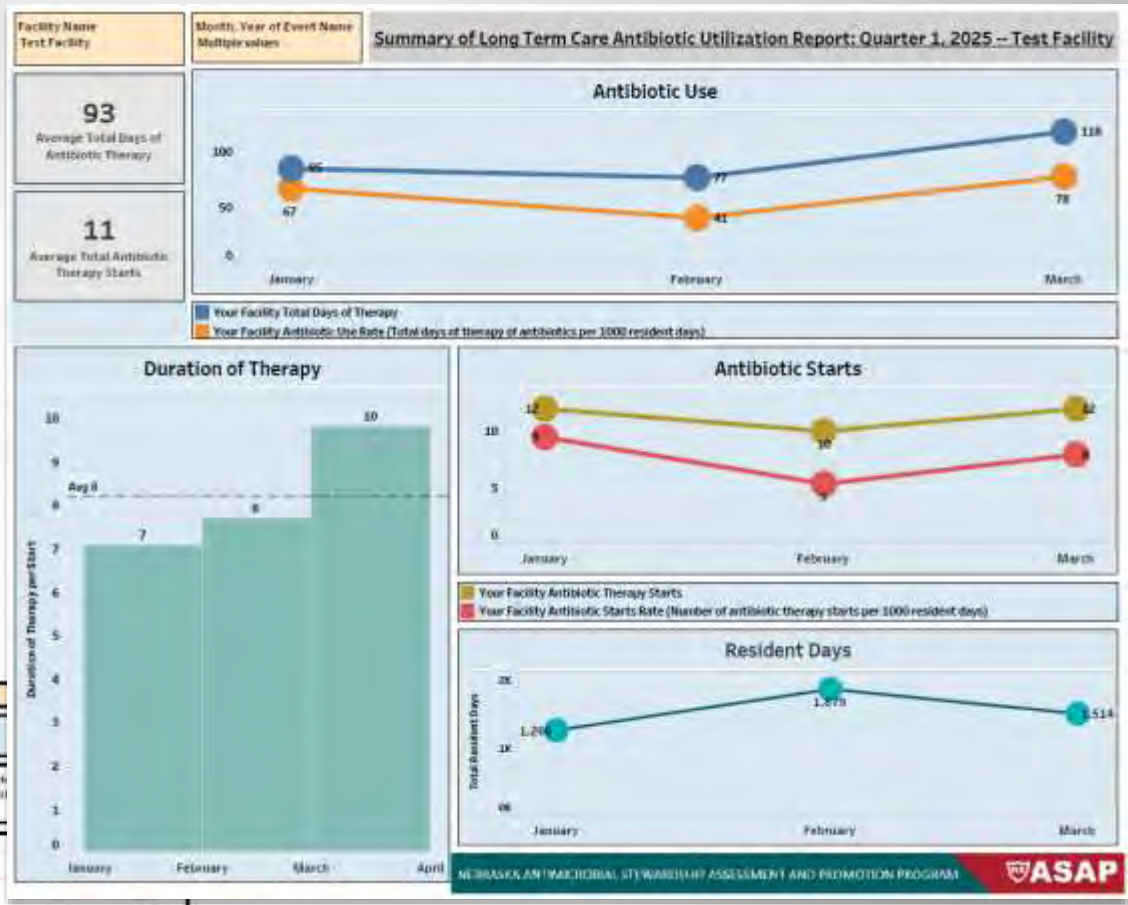
[Tools and Templates for Long Term Care - ASAP]

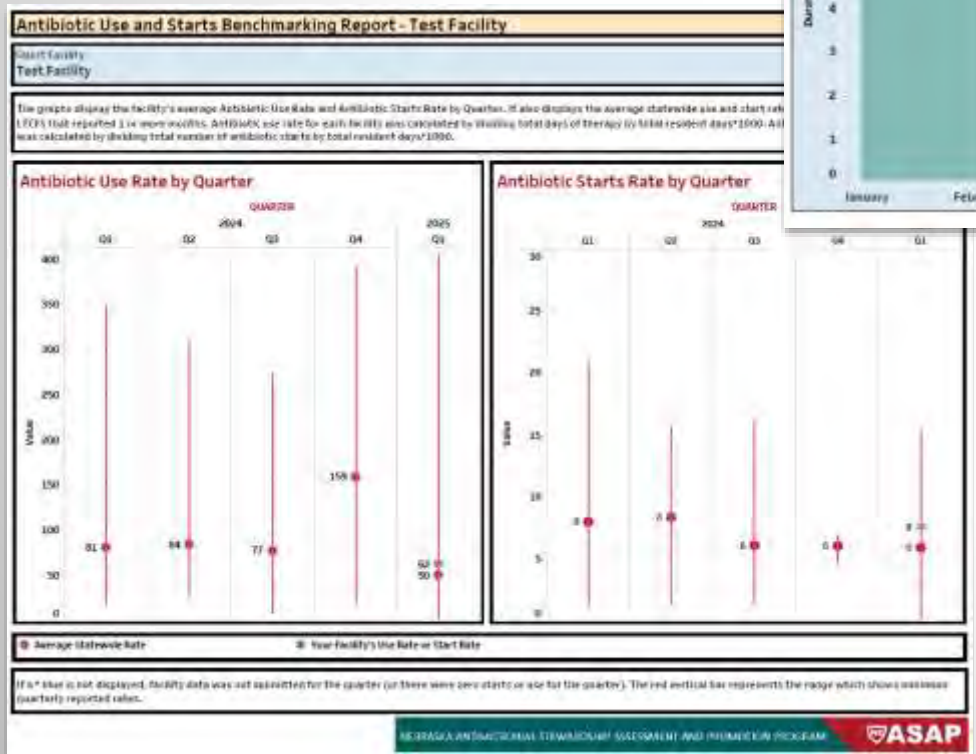
Antibiotic Use Collaborative Database for Nebraska LTCF

- An opportunity is available for Nebraska LTCF to collaborate with antimicrobial stewardship experts through the Nebraska ASAP program
- The aim of the Nebraska ASAP LTCF Antibiotic Use Tracking Collaborative is to provide participating LTCFs with both **facility-specific** and **benchmarked** antibiotic use information to guide their initiatives
- There are currently 39 LTCF enrolled in the database

Sample LTC Antibiotic Use report:

Facility Level Data – Page 1





Collaborative Comparative Data – Page 2

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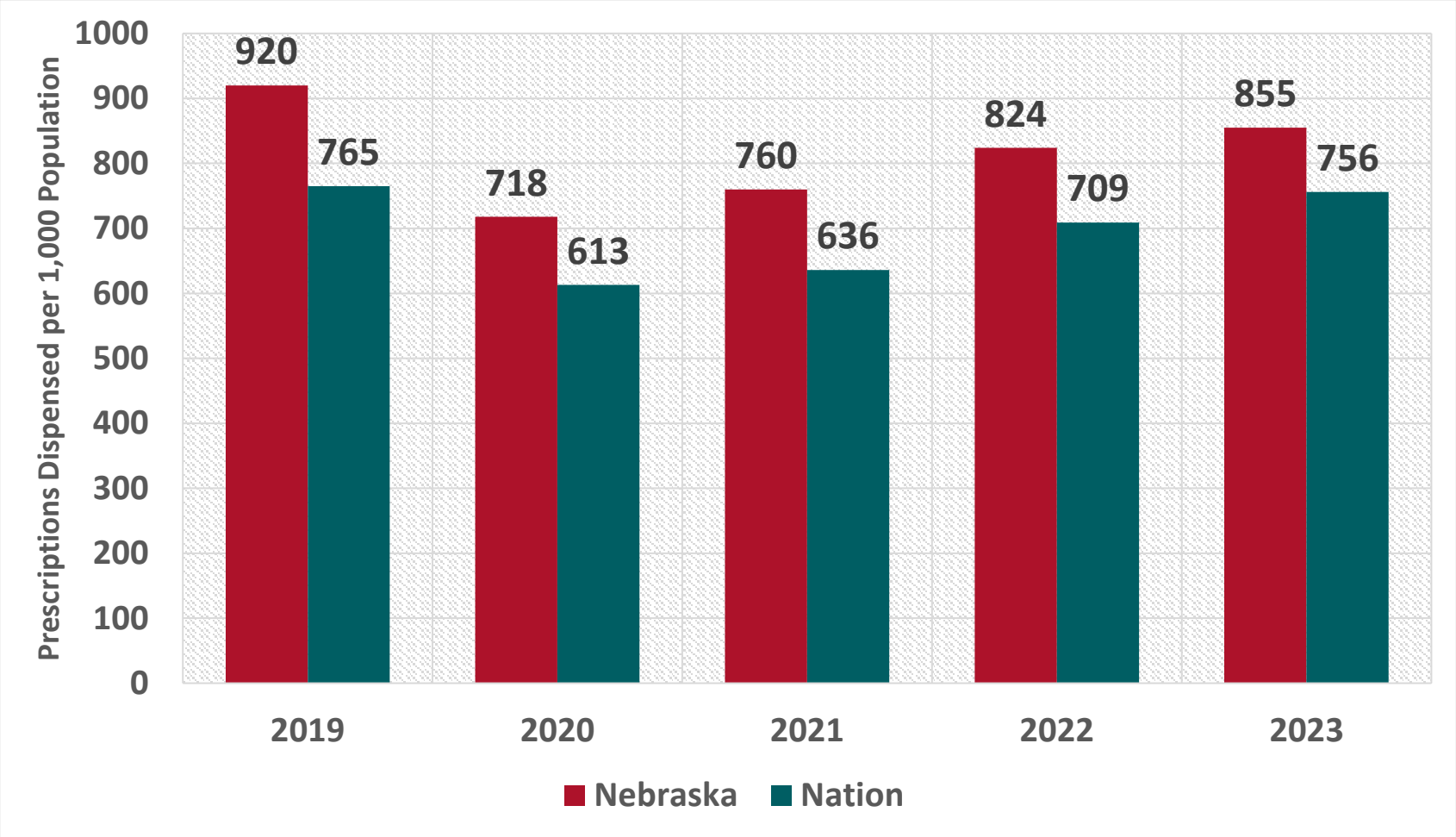
Outpatient Antibiotic Use



Nebraska consistently prescribes antibiotics in the outpatient setting at a higher rate than the national average.

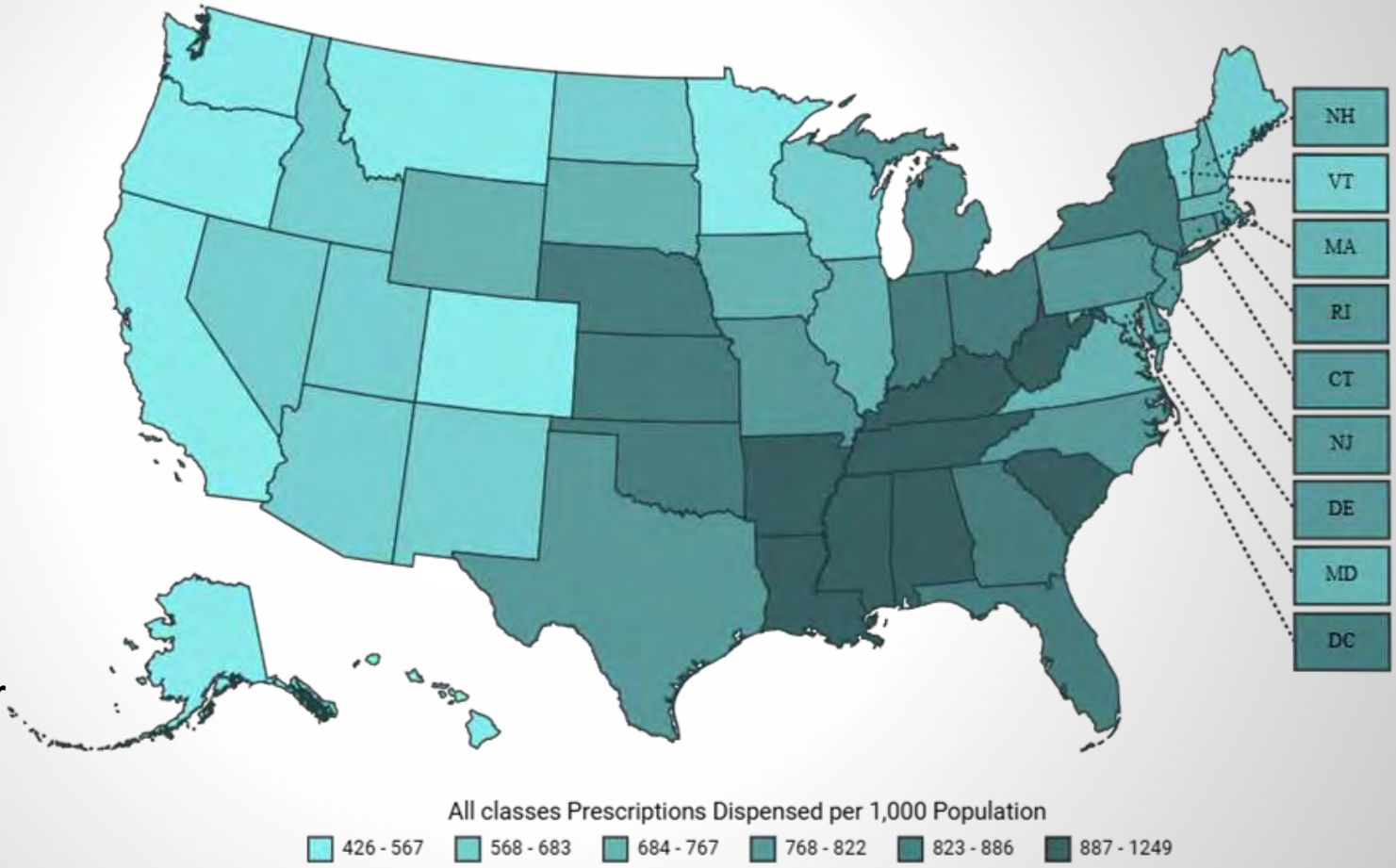
All Antibiotic Classes | A.R. & Patient Safety Portal (cdc.gov)

Outpatient Antibiotic Prescribing in Nebraska

All Antibiotic Classes

In 2023, Nebraska was the 10th highest antibiotic prescribing state

(855 prescriptions per 1,000 population)



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Antibiotic Stewardship Resources

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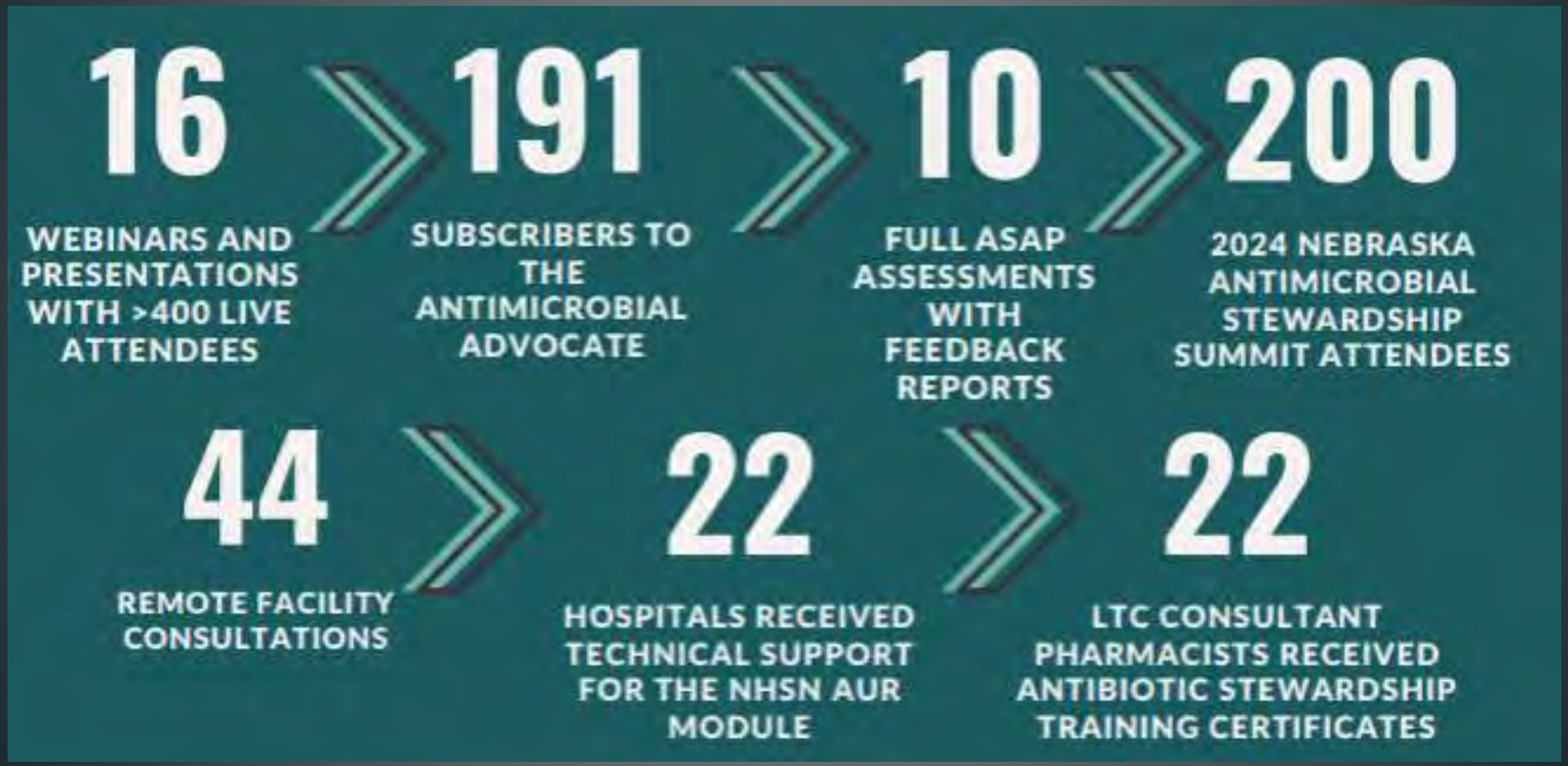
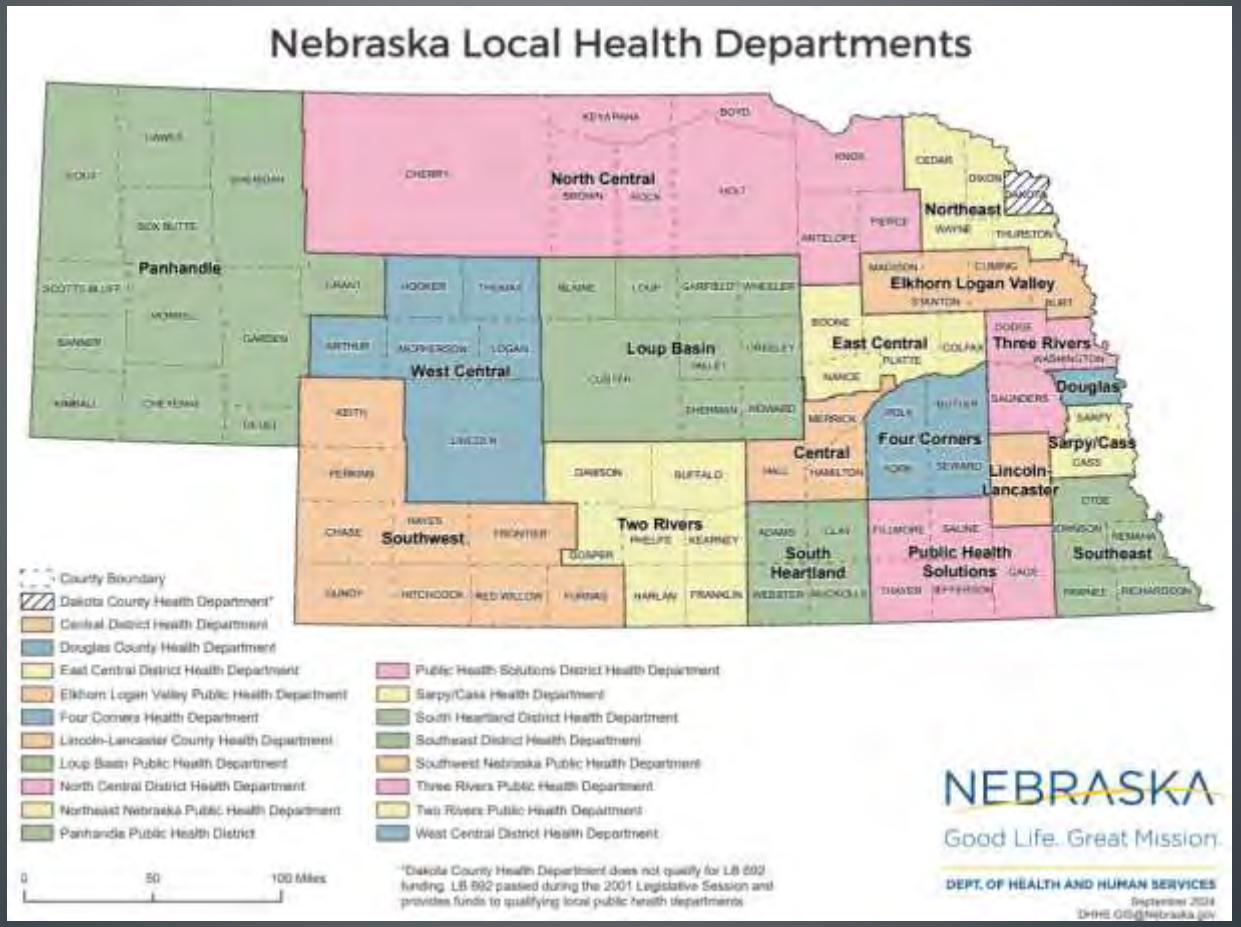
Nebraska ASAP 2024 Outreach Summary



Looking Forward: Future Projects

State of Nebraska Gram-Negative Antibiograms by Local Health Department



Antibiotic Stewardship Program Assessments

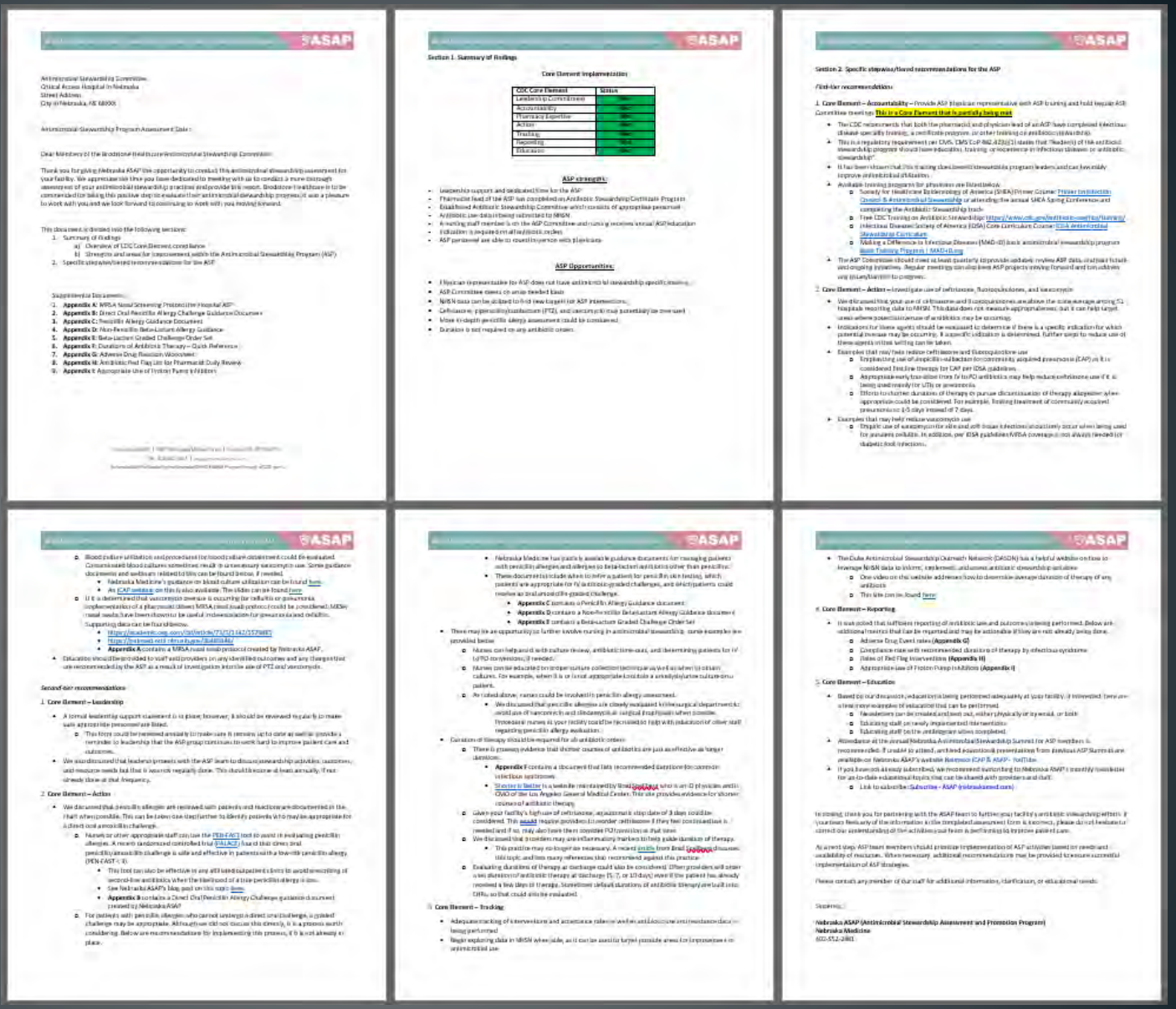
Baseline ASP Assessment for Hospitals

Baseline ASP Assessment for Long-Term Care Facilities

Baseline ASP Assessment for Outpatient Facilities

Assessments are **non-regulatory** and **no-cost** to the facility.

Example ASAP Core Element Assessment Report



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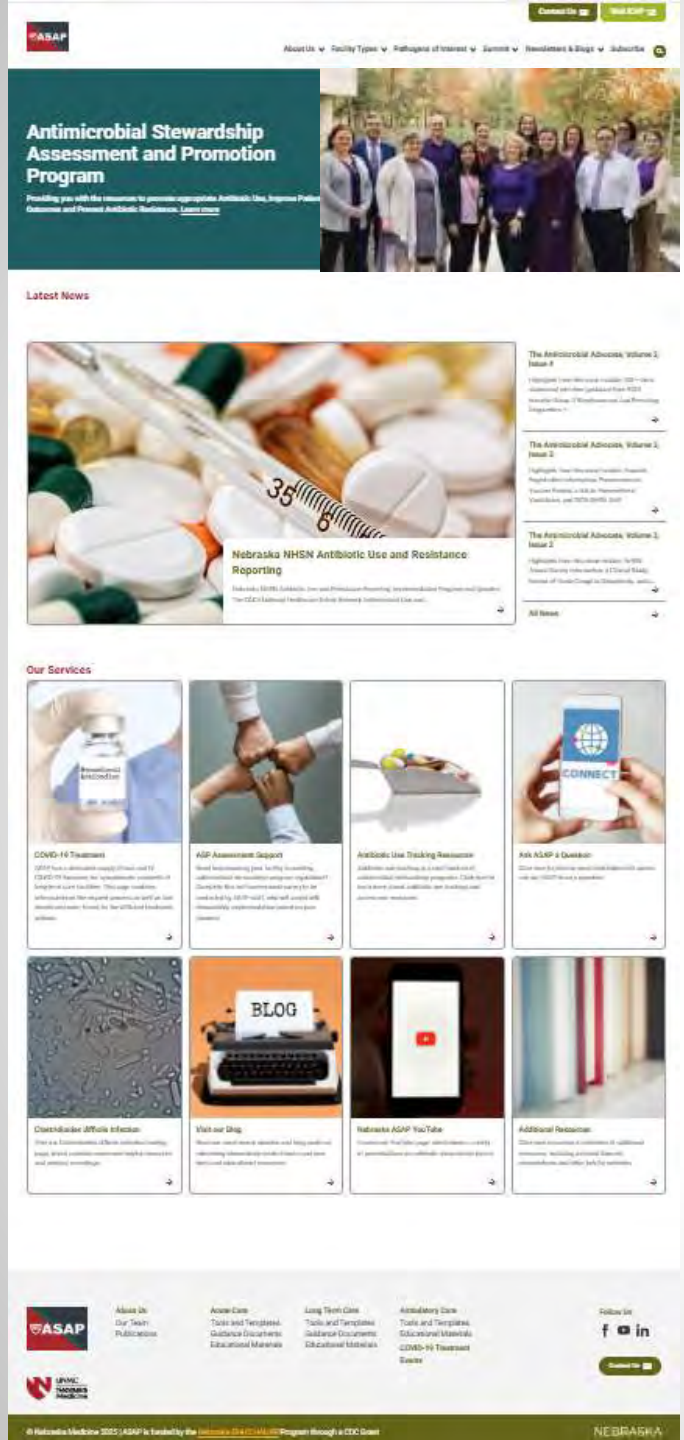
New! Free eLearning course from the Society of Healthcare Epidemiology of America

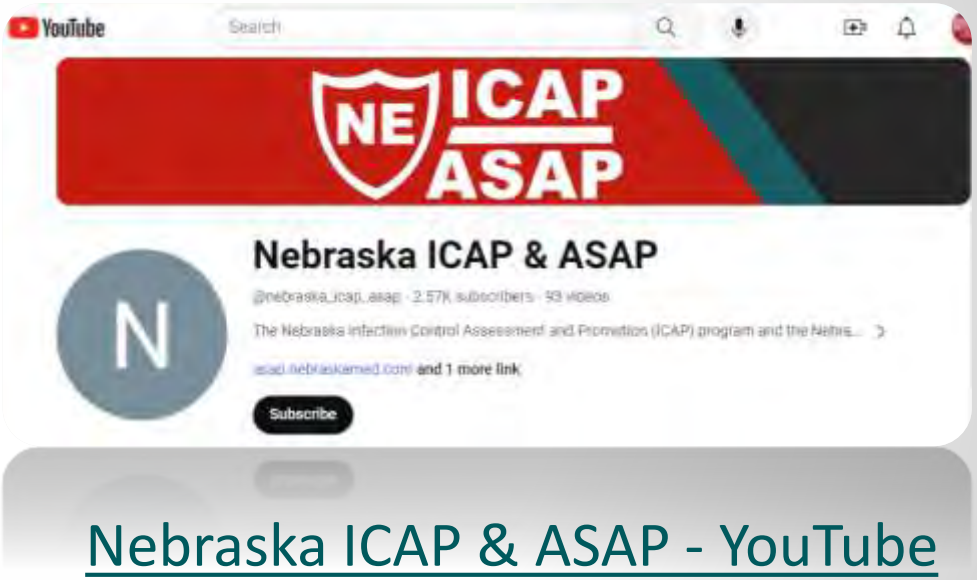
In this short, 3 module interactive course, learners will gain experience in penicillin allergy history taking, risk assessment using validated instruments, penicillin allergy testing, and delabeling.

The target audience includes physicians (ID, PCP, hospitalists), pharmacists, and advanced practice providers.

Link: Penicillin Allergy Management - Removing Barriers to Optimal Antibiotic Prescribing | LearningCE @ SHEA



ASAP Website and YouTube channel



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