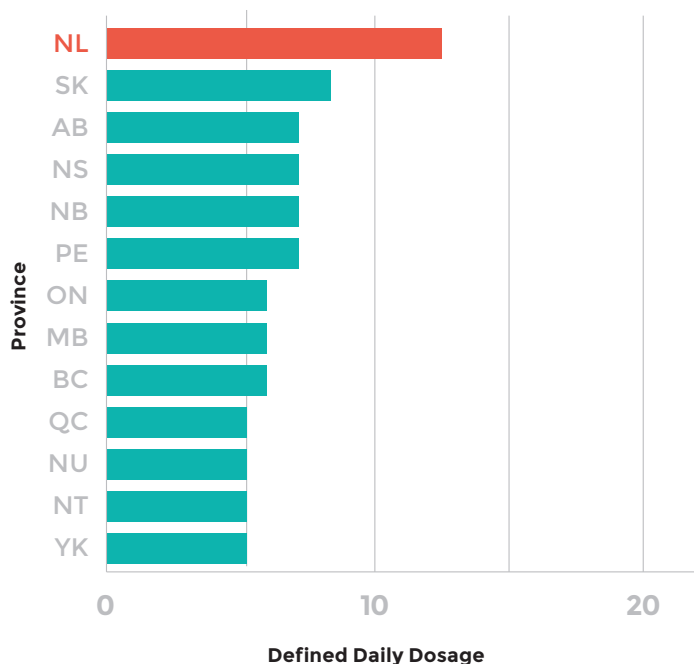


THE PROVINCIAL PICTURE

Overuse in NL

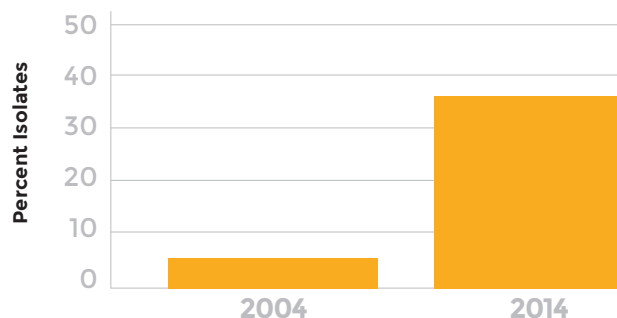
In 2014, doctors in Newfoundland and Labrador prescribed more antibiotics than doctors in any other province in Canada – a third more often than the province with the second highest use rate. It is critical that we reduce our antibiotic consumption.

NL Antibiotic Use in 2014 Data Source: National (CARSS)



ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE IS INCREASING IN THE COMMUNITY

STI Patients Resistant to Ciprofloxacin



What can we do?

Choosing Wisely Canada: Don't use antibiotics for upper respiratory infections that are likely viral in origin, such as colds, influenza-like illnesses or self-limiting sinus infections of less than 7 days duration

Don't use antibiotics to treat bacteria in the bladder in older adults unless specific urinary tract symptoms are present

Choosing Wisely NL can provide doctors with resources



Viral prescription pads



Information sheets for parents and seniors



Posters for clinics

CWNL Antibiotic video

WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=L51W13SJSXI

