

# Addressing Antibiotic Incentives Legislation

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# Background

- **CHALLENGE:** lack of new antimicrobial drugs; marketplace does not support R&D investment.
- **CAUSES:** current payment system and prescribing guidelines appropriately disincentivize use of newer, more expensive antimicrobials.
- **SOLUTIONS:** Proposed incentives-based legislation with wide support across stakeholders.
  - **DISARM:** antibiotic add-on payment
  - **PASTEUR:** antibiotic subscription model

# Recommendations

- PACCARB supports the passage of both bills with an emphasis on continuing and expanding the critical stewardship efforts within each bill.
  - The approaches of the two bills are complementary.
- Stewardship is an essential component of these and all incentives-focused legislation.
  - New antimicrobials must come with plans and resources for appropriate use.
  - Both bills propose funds to assist providers in stewardship activities, and have provisions to promote responsible use.
- Action is urgent.