# Reassessing the Epidemiological Paradigms: A Critical Re-evaluation of Global Health Interventions in Addressing Antimicrobial Resistance

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**Abstract.** The burgeoning challenge of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) stands as a pressing public health crisis, necessitating a paradigm shift in both clinical practices and public health policies. This study employs a mixed-methods approach, integrating quantitative data from recent epidemiological surveys with qualitative insights from healthcare practitioners. Our findings underscore the urgent need for a comprehensive re-evaluation of existing health interventions and educational programs aimed at mitigating AMR. By aligning stakeholders' actions and enhancing interdisciplinary collaboration, we propose a framework for sustainable solutions. The analysis reveals that initial interventions have often overlooked critical behavioral factors influencing antibiotic usage, leading to ineffective results. Thus, this article advocates for a collective reimagining of strategies to address AMR, laying the groundwork for future research and intervention designs.

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## Introduction

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) represents one of the most formidable threats to global public health in the 21st century. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), AMR could lead to 10 million annual deaths by 2050 if left unchecked, surpassing cancer mortality rates. The current landscape of AMR is marked by unprecedented challenges, including the rapid emergence of drug-resistant pathogens and the diminishing pipeline of effective antibiotics. This escalating crisis is fueled by a confluence of factors such as overprescription of antibiotics, inadequate infection prevention measures, and lack of public awareness. Furthermore, global travel and trade exacerbate the spread of resistant

strains, complicating containment efforts and rendering traditional public health responses insufficient. In light of these developments, the present study seeks to critically reassess the established concepts surrounding global health interventions aimed at combatting AMR. We argue that a transformative approach is essential for effective intervention strategies. This paper employs a mixed-methods framework to elucidate gaps in current practices and to foster innovative solutions that are informed by real-world challenges. It commences with an exploration of epidemiological trends, followed by an analysis of healthcare practitioners' perceptions and experiences. Subsequent sections will discuss the implications of our findings for policy reform and public health communication strategies. The final portion of the article will detail a proposed framework for a sustainable response to AMR, emphasizing the need for interdisciplinary collaboration and stakeholder engagement. This comprehensive examination aims to provide valuable insights for researchers, policymakers, and healthcare providers alike. Through a systematic inquiry into the re-evaluation of AMR strategies, we aspire to contribute to the collective knowledge necessary for confronting one of the most critical public health dilemmas of our time.



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