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Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to announce that the next Academic Detailing topic “**Antibiotics: Why and Why Not**” is ready for detailing. We have collaborated with local specialists in Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS) and Infectious Diseases in preparation for this topic.

During academic detailing sessions you’ll have the opportunity to:

- Identify best practices for the management of common community-acquired infections based on current evidence, local antimicrobial susceptibilities, and AMS principles.
- Discuss antimicrobial treatment options in adult and pediatric populations.

We encourage you to become familiar with the **Firstline resource**, available for free, through web-based (links below) or mobile download (scan QR codes below). This tool provides guidance on antimicrobial prescribing based on local antibiogram data and AMS principles.

<https://firstline.org/nsha/> (adults) <https://firstline.org/iwk/> (pediatrics & women’s health)



This one-credit-per-hour Group Learning Program meets the certification criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been certified by the Dalhousie University Continuing Professional Development and Medical Education for up to **1.0 MAINPRO+ credits per session**.

Academic detailers from across Nova Scotia are available to deliver this program **online or in person** at your home or office, on your time schedule, with information tailored to you.

If you are new to the province/program and would like to learn more or participate, please visit our website (link below) or email kelly.mackinnon@dal.ca.

<https://medicine.dal.ca/departments/core-units/cpd/programs/academic-detailing-service.html>

If your practice location has moved and you wish to continue to participate, please email your updated address information to kelly.mackinnon@dal.ca.

We thank you in advance for your participation in the Dalhousie Academic Detailing Service.



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