

# The Challenge of Antibiotic Resistance is Here

Rising antibiotic resistance is one of the greatest health threats of our time and requires that every healthcare institution develop effective interventions that promote the judicious use of antimicrobials. Small, rural, and critical access hospitals are key players in this fight, yet often lack the time and resources to independently create robust antimicrobial stewardship programs.

The University of Washington Tele-Antimicrobial Stewardship Program (UW TASP) empowers antimicrobial stewardship teams throughout the region by providing education, mentoring, community building, and resource sharing. By combining the resources available in our urban academic setting with the expertise of rural health providers, antimicrobial stewardship program implementation has been accelerated throughout the region with far reaching benefits to our community.

UW TASP combines:

- Weekly tele-conferences with clinical didactics case discussions
- Tele-mentoring with UW ID physicians, ID pharmacists, nurses, and clinical microbiologists
- AMS site assessment and annual site visits
- Remote grand rounds
- Annual conference

For more information, or to join our program, contact: [uwtasp@uw.edu](mailto:uwtasp@uw.edu)



**John Lynch, MD, MPH**

*Principal Investigator and Medical Director*



**Chloe Bryson-Cahn, MD**

*Associate Medical Director*



**Zahra Kassamali, PharmD**  
*Associate Medical Director*



**Jeannie Chan, PharmD**  
*TASP Faculty*



**Rupali Jain, PharmD**  
*TASP Faculty*



**Paul Pottinger, MD**

*TASP Faculty*



**Natalia Martinez-Paz, MPA, MA**

*TASP Program Manager*