SUGGESTED AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT
FOR STARTING HAI, AMR, AND AMS ACTIVITIES IN RURAL, FRONTIER, & SMALL LHDS
- Integrate HAI activities into the work the LHDs are already doing.
- Set expectations, roles, and desired outcomes across agencies & partners.
- Engage Local, State, and National partners to build capabilities in the form of facilitation, training, tailored communication tools, and peer-to-peer coaching and mentoring.
- Access funding through established State funding streams to build infrastructure, capacity, knowledge, skills, and abilities.

FOR LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL PARTNERS
- Recognize the unique needs of Rural, Frontier, and Small LHDs.
- State HAI programs personally engage & initiate relationships with LHDs.
- Empower LHDs to identify the level of engagement with their State point of contact for information and resources.
- Improve equitable funding algorithms and application processes.
- Tailor tools and resources to meet LHDs needs, cultures, and structures.
- Provide timely communication and opportunities to participate in projects.

SUCCESS FACTORS
- Quality Partnerships
- Consistent Communication
- Timely Guidance
- Continual learning with a desire to learn
- Supportive teams
- Access to mentors and subject matter experts

PERFORMANCE TRACKING
- Number of ICARs, investigations, and outreach activities
- Timely reporting of cases and outbreaks
- Level of engagement from partners and healthcare agencies

COMPETENCY, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES
- Training
- Competency, Skills, and Abilities
- In-person learning is the most effective
- More hands-on training is needed
- Importance of experiential learning and continued education

HAI (Healthcare Associated Infections)
AMR (Antimicrobial Resistance)
AMS (Antimicrobial Stewardship)