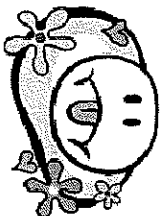


MRSA



WHAT IS MRSA?

MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus) is a staph infection of the skin. Some staph infections are antibiotic resistant, meaning that antibiotics will not treat the infection.

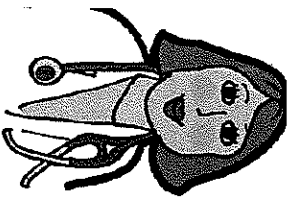
We cannot see staph lingering on door knobs, computers, in the restrooms, etc. so the best medication is proper hand washing.

Anyone can get this staph infection. People are more likely to contract MRSA if they:

- Have skin-to-skin contact with someone infected.
- Touch a surface with staph on it.
- Are living in a crowded living situation.
- Have opened cuts and poor hygiene.

Proper handwashing is your best defense!

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Can You Protect Yourself?

- Wash your hand often.
- Keep your cuts covered.
- Do not share personal items.
- Clean all surfaces with disinfectant.
- Carry antibacterial hand gel with you and use it often.

For more information visit:

www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/or_mrsa.html