

STANDING UP FOR YOUR PATIENTS' HEALTH

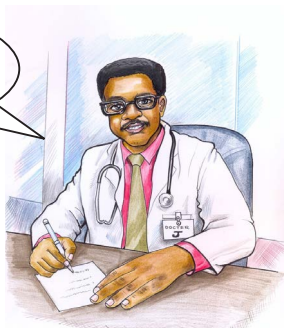
Messages
for health
professionals

*Tackling antimicrobial resistance
a story of health professionals playing their part*

Volume 2

YOU TOO ... CAN TAKE ACTION!

I use my medical knowledge to try to improve the services in our hospital.



Dr J.

I try to stay on top of the newest developments in patient care.



Nurse Waja

I take initiative so that more essential medicines are available for my patients.



Pharmacist

I make infection control and availability of medicines top priority in our hospital.



Medical director

The spread of antimicrobial resistance is a global problem with particularly dire consequences for Africa which is grappling with high levels of infection in the face of limited resources.

Poor quality medicines, inappropriate use of medicines, as well as poor hygiene and waste management, all facilitate the development of resistance. This means treatments with antimicrobials such as antibiotics, antifungals and antivirals are no longer effective.

The containment of antimicrobial resistance requires an increased awareness by all actors in health, including the public, as well as collective action.

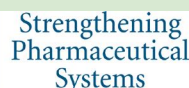
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Antimicrobial treatment is a major lifesaving intervention for infectious diseases but Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) is rapidly reducing the effectiveness of antimicrobials. As a result, many first line treatments for diseases such as malaria, TB and opportunistic infections of AIDS are no longer effective and the cost of care is inevitably increased.

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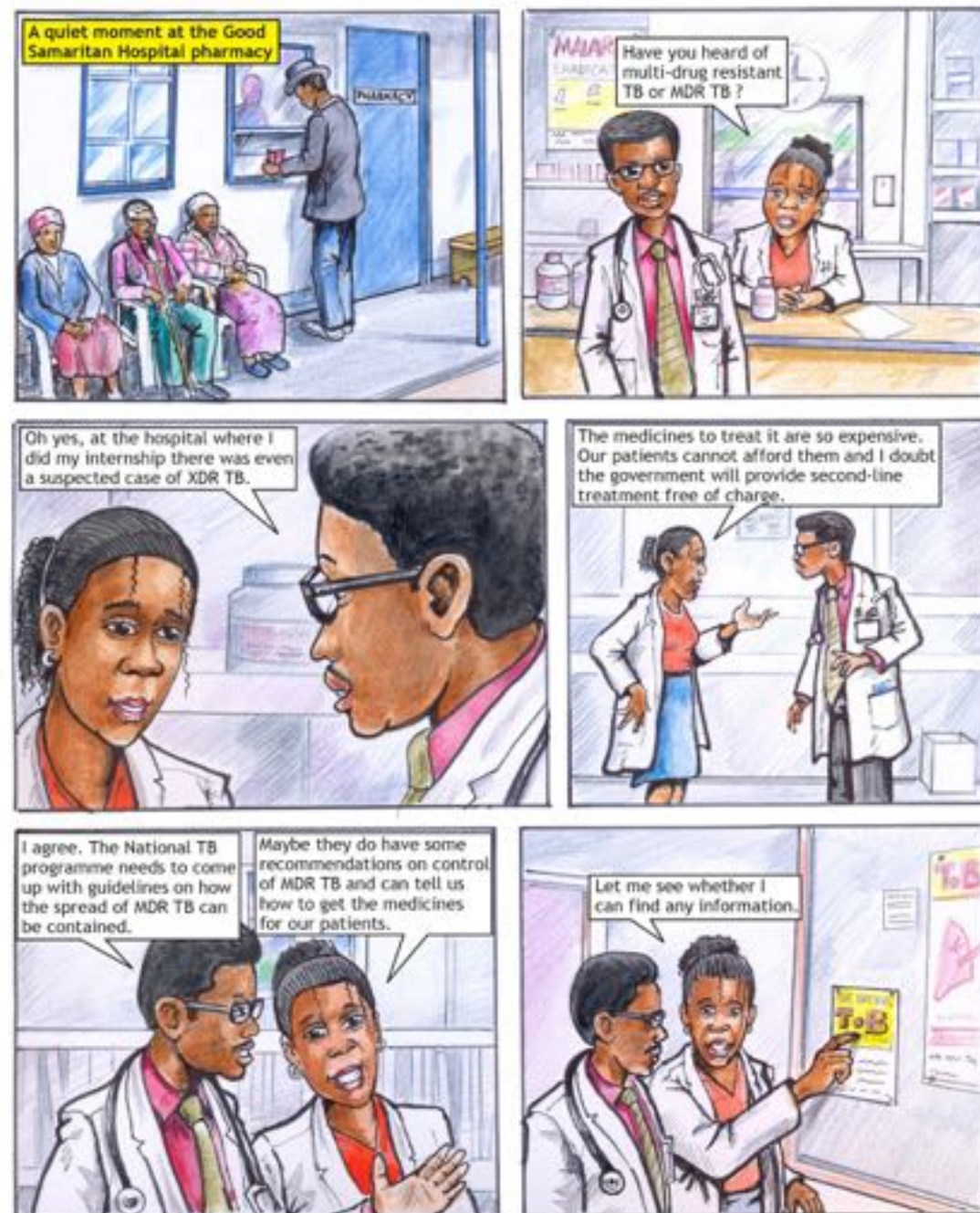


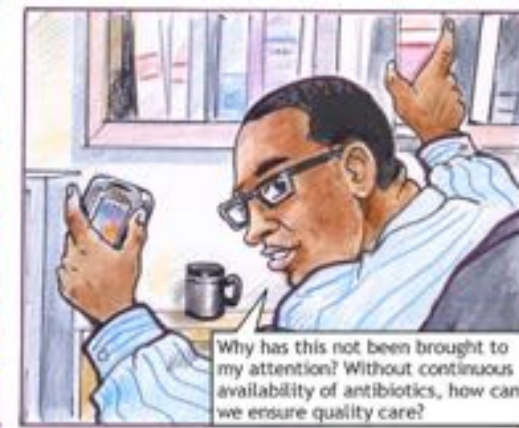
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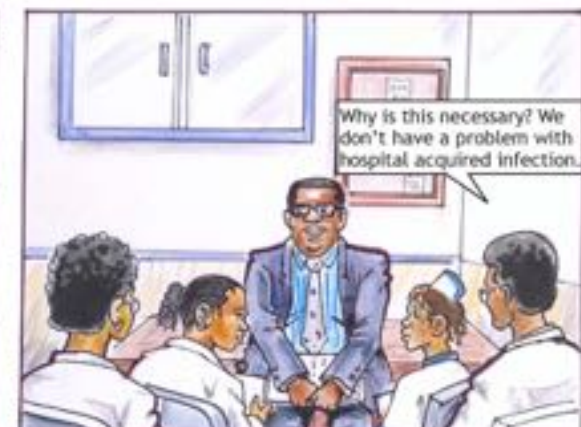
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The medical director, finance manager and pharmacist meet to discuss the availability of antibiotics





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pharmaceutiques dans les systèmes sanitaires confessionnels

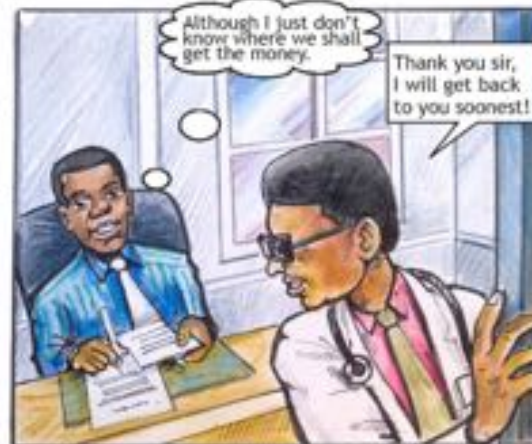
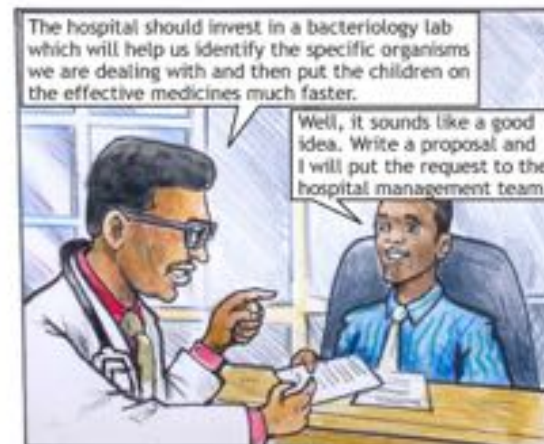
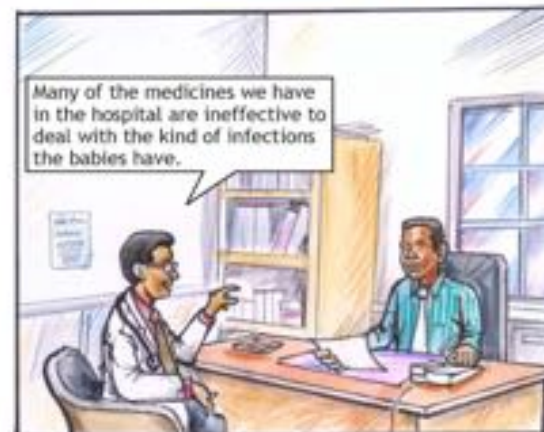


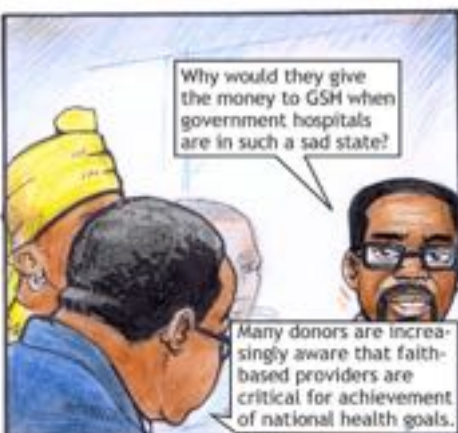
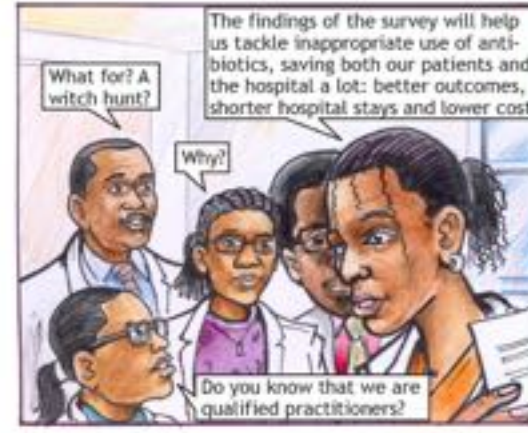
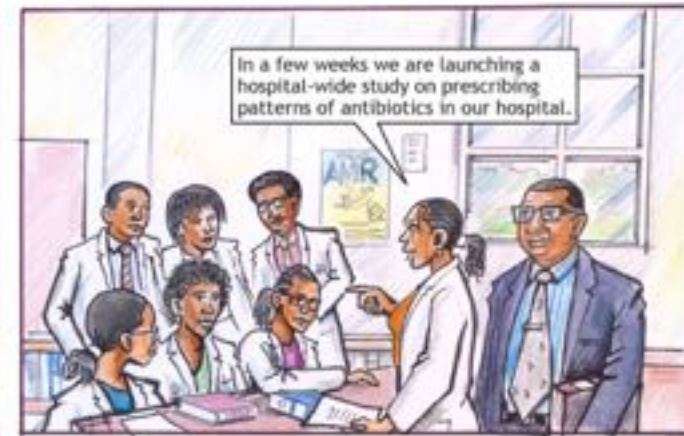
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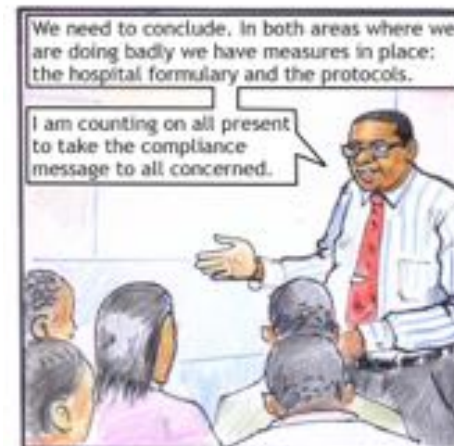
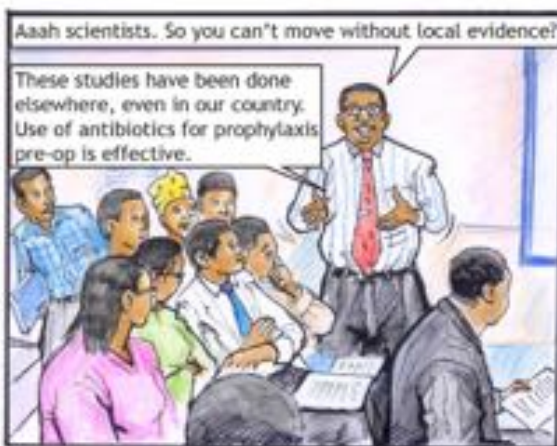
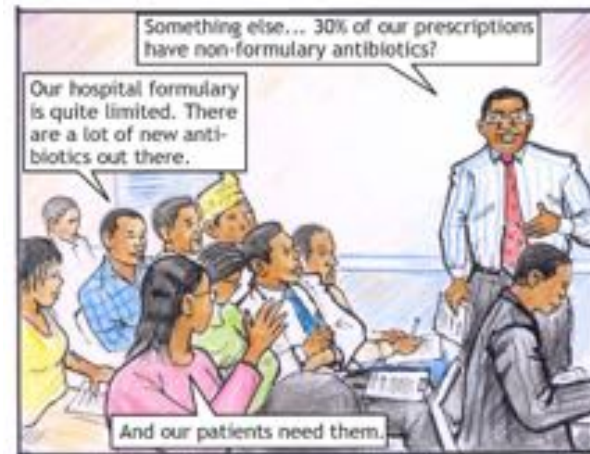
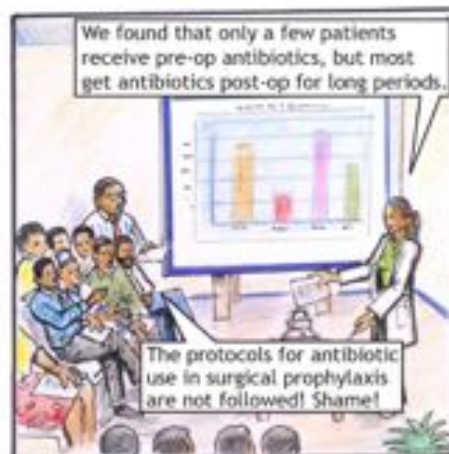
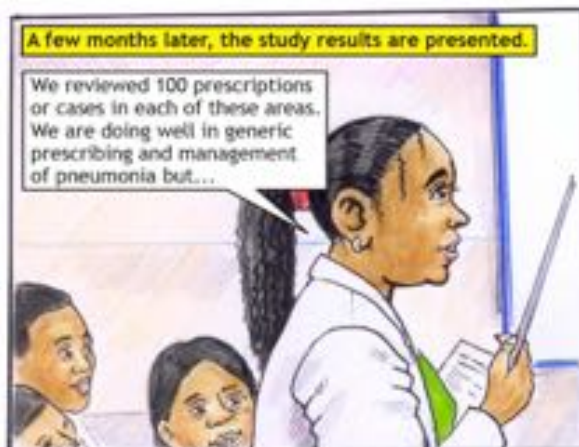
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30 years of strengthening pharmaceutical services in church health systems

Professionalism and good governance

Institutional strengthening through capacity building and distribution of tools to impact governance

Training on pharmacy for health facility staff as well as provision of guidelines and standards to strengthen pharmacy practice



Access to medicines

Addressing supply systems, medicine use, quality of medicines, pharmaceutical care and affordability.



HIV and AIDS
Treatment Literacy
Guide for Church Leaders
available in English and French.

EPN also offers
Treatment Literacy Courses
for Church Leaders on invitation
from any church
or other group.



Campaign against antimicrobial resistance

Activities on rational use of antibiotics and implementation of hospital-based infection control interventions reached more than 500 health professionals in 9 countries in 2010.



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