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COMMUNITY-ACQUIRED METHICILLIN-RESISTANT STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS



Community-acquired methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) is approaching epidemic status, with life-threatening consequences. Prevention of MRSA infections can best be achieved by hand hygiene. Eight to twenty percent of MRSA infections are found in the community, and twenty-five percent of these cases eventually required hospitalization.

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