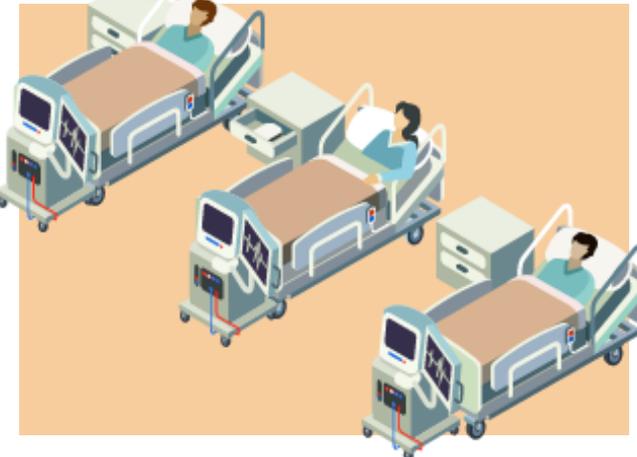


WHAT IS C. AURIS?



C. auris is a **multidrug-resistant fungus** that causes **serious infections**, particularly among patients in **hospitals and nursing homes**.



C. auris is **difficult to identify**. If an individual is infected and doesn't know, it can cause an outbreak.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

Symptoms of *C. auris* infection depend on the part of the body infected. Symptoms may be unnoticeable because infected patients are already sick with another serious illness or condition. Some patients may also be colonized, which means *C. auris* is growing in or on their body, but they do not have symptoms.



HOW DOES IT SPREAD?

C. auris is typically acquired in healthcare settings, so most healthy people are not at risk. It is passed from person to person through the hands of healthcare personnel or by contaminated medical devices like catheters or ventilators.

HOW CAN C. AURIS BE PREVENTED?



Patients with *C. auris* may be put under special precautions, such as being placed in an isolation room. This may continue even after treatment because they may still have *C. auris* on their skin or other sites on their body.



Practice proper hand hygiene and use of personal protective equipment (**PPE**) such as gloves, masks, and gowns.



Patients should make sure to carefully follow instructions from their doctor regarding antifungal medications.

