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## **Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Summary**

**Public Body or Custodian: Alberta Health Services**

**Project Title: Antibiotic Resistant Information System (ARIS)**

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### **Project Summary:**

The Infection Prevention and Control program (IPC) and Public Health Communicable Disease Control (PHCDC) have a unique responsibility in Alberta Health Services. PHCDC has the responsibility of protecting the public from exposure to infectious diseases while IPC has a similar responsibility in health care settings. Both PHCDC and IPC have this responsibility under the mandate of the Alberta Public Health Act. The IPC and PHCDC use several strategies such as the Antibiotic Resistant Information System (ARIS) to monitor and manage infectious disease transmission in health care settings and in the community. The ARIS application is used for surveillance which is routinely used to monitor infectious activity, to detect problems and to develop strategies for intervention to prevent and control the transmission of infections. The second is outbreak management which includes: 1) immediate case detection, 2) contact tracing, and 3) immediate implementation of infection control measures. This information is then used by the IPC and PHCDC for education of health care providers and the public and for program planning.

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