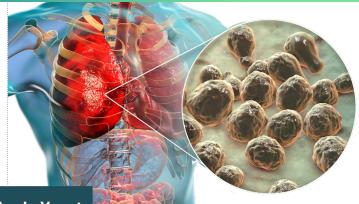
DRUG-RESISTANT FUNGI: A GROWING HEALTH THREAT TO AMERICANS



The threat of drug-resistant fungi and other microbes on Americans is an alarmingly aggressive threat to all of us made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic – especially those with chronic conditions.

Without effective antifungal and other antimicrobial medicines, patients lose not just treatments for serious infections, but also face significantly increased risks from many medical services that rely upon the effective prevention and treatment of infections, especially for those with weakened immune systems.



URGENT THREAT: Multidrug-Resistant Candida Auris Yeast

Included on CDC's 'Urgent Threat' list of resistant pathogens Causes
severe
infections,
spreads easily
and is resistant to
multiple drugs

Cases increased more than 300% in 2018 compared to 2015-2017

90% of infections are resistant to at least one antifungal drug

30% of infections are resistant to at least two antifungal drugs

Sources:

Biggest Threats and Data | Antibiotic/Antimicrobial Resistance | CDC; Drug-Resistant Candida Auris (cdc.gov)

TERRITORY EXPANDING: Soil Fungus Causing Valley Fever

Coccidiodes immitis fungus:

