



The Department of Health and the HSE invite you to take part in a project about hospital-acquired infections.

Dear potential participant,

The Department of Health and the HSE would like to hear about your experience of being treated for a hospital-acquired infection to help improve healthcare practices.

Over time, medicines such as antibiotics can stop working or don't work as well as they did before. When this happens, common infections become more difficult to treat and more people are at risk of severe illness.

**You will be taking part in an important project.**

Hearing your story will help us provide the best possible advice for patients, their families, and the community.

**How to contact us?**

If you would like to express your interest to take part, please visit this [website](#) and register today.

**What happens next?**

After you register to take part, you may be contacted by a researcher from M-CO, the company that is working for the Department on this project. The conversation will take up to 40 minutes, online or over the phone.

Please note this is only an expression of interest and you may not be called to tell your story, but we very much appreciate your interest in the project.

**How will your story be used?**

If selected to participate your story will be used anonymously in a booklet and report to help people learn more about hospital infections. Your story may be used for a further awareness campaign; however, you will not be identified, and your anonymity will be assured.

We look forward to hearing what you have to say.