



**LET'S MAKE HISTORY,
BY TELLING OUR STORIES**

“There is an ancient myth that holds that storytelling can cure diseases or save; without stories, we would live in an old present. Give me your hand, Camilla, come with me and I'll tell you one.”

Marcela Serrano





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Let's Make History by Telling Our Stories is an open call to write stories about health from Latin America and the Caribbean.

Stories like...

The story of a young mother who, after overcoming a multidrug-resistant infection, promotes the responsible use of antibiotics in her community.

The story of a rural doctor who collects leftover antimicrobials for use in other patients.

The story of a child who, growing food in his school garden, discovers that microbes are the little cooks of the plants.





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The story of a small town that installs washbasins and liquid soap strategically, to facilitate handwashing.

The story of a group of researchers who reveal antibiotic contamination in the rivers in their region.

The story of a grandmother who, moved by her big heart, encourages her neighbors to carefully follow vaccination schedules.

As you can see, the thematic range is broad. There are many, many stories to tell. They just have to be related to **infectious diseases, antimicrobial infectious diseases, the use of antimicrobials, hand hygiene, or the role of microbes in health.**

Check out the selected stories in 2021 [HERE](#), to get inspired.





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Who can participate?

Anyone who has lived through or knows a story about the above-mentioned issues in Latin America and the Caribbean. It does not matter where you are from or what your nationality is!

What are the requirements?

Stories must be sent to us in writing. The maximum length is 3 pages. Texts will be accepted in Spanish and English.

How will the stories be selected?

Stories will be reviewed and selected by a jury made up of health professionals, communication specialists, and educators, from Latin America and the Caribbean.

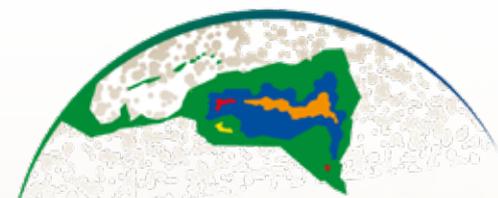
The best three stories (those with the highest scores) will be presented at the annual Meeting of "Empowered Communities against Antimicrobial Resistance in Latin America and the Caribbean", to be held in November 2022 and all selected stories will be published in 2023.

What criteria will the jury consider selecting the best stories?

The story should leave a lesson learned or show the impact of the action taken to combat infections and antimicrobial resistance.

The text should be clear and creative.





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September 23, 2022.

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