

I'm a resistance fighter™

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Combating antimicrobial resistance (AMR)

When I arrived at the hospital for a cut on my leg in 2013, I thought I would be treated, healed and sent home good as new. Instead, I contracted *C. difficile*, which was the start of a struggle with my health that continued for many years. In the first week of contraction, I lost 15% of my body mass and almost lost my life. I became determined to do something to prevent the transmission of this devastating, sometimes resistant, bacteria. Partnering with a multidisciplinary team at Vancouver Coastal Health, we developed a successful *C. difficile* canine scent detection program. Now, we search hospitals everyday with our trusted companions, including Angus, who use their super sniffers to detect the bacterium and help identify gaps in infection control and prevention practices. **Because all of us need to be resistance fighters.**

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