Checklist for Core Principle Implementation - *Basic*

Core Principle 1: Commit to stewardship	Target date	✔
Form an ASC. Identify members, meet regularly, and educate staff.		
Identify an AS Champion. Draft a written statement and have a poster identifying the Champion.		
Make a public commitment to clients. Send letters or email, use talking points, display commitment posters, write a commitment statement, and celebrate USAAW.		
Define hospital AS priorities. Find priorities for initial action, identify protocols to support priorities, educate staff on these issues.		
Core Principle 2: Prevent common diseases	**Target date**	**✔**
Educate clients on preventative care. Promote wellness care and vaccination, empower owners to keep pets healthy.		
Prevent healthcare-associated infections. Review your infection prevention plan with staff.		
Core Principle 3: Select and use antimicrobial drugs judiciously	**Target date**	**✔**
Provide clinical guidance for responsible AU. Share broad concepts of responsible AU, use ISCAID guidelines, develop protocols for surgical AU, and identify antibiotic alternatives.		
Develop protocols for use of clinical diagnostics. Ensure best practices for specimen collection.		
Core Principle 4: Evaluate antimicrobial use practices	**Target date**	**✔**
Inventory antimicrobials in your facility. Develop a list (formulary) of antimicrobials, indicate which are considered first-line for common conditions, and discuss among veterinarians.		
Core Principle 5: Educate and build expertise	**Target date**	**✔**
Require staff training. Educate on problem of AMR and antibiotic misuse, and stay up-to-date with email bulletin subscriptions.		
Communicate with pet owners. Use veterinary AU talking points, non-antibiotic prescription pad, and fact sheets.		
Provide information about safe medication disposal. Hang a poster with information about local take back locations.		