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Rebecca Irwin is Director, Canadian Integrated Program for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance at the Public Health Agency of Canada. She is a veterinary epidemiologist who has worked in the area of food safety for over 30 years.

Rebecca Irwin started her career focussed on establishing a Salmonella Control Program for the poultry sector. Her work then focussed on the control of *Salmonella* Enteritidis in the egg-laying sector. She conducted national SE prevalence surveys throughout the poultry production chain which provided the impetus for the Canadian Egg Industry to establish ongoing rigorous SE controls.

Since 1998, Rebecca Irwin has worked exclusively on the creation and operation of the Canadian Integrated Program for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance which examines both AMU and AMR along the food chain.