# WHO: Health care without avoidable infections - peoples' lives depend on it

Her baby died in hospital after catching a resistant bug.

Her mother is recovering from an infected wound after her brother's birth.

She's at risk of developing liver damage after contracting hepatitis at work.

His family will go without because he can't work after surgery.

One in ten people pick up an infection while receiving health care. Yet, they can often be prevented and should be prevented. We all deserve health care without avoidable infections.

This comes from cleaning hands at the right times, preparing the skin before an operation, making sure needles and syringes are never reused, as well as dispensing antibiotics only when they're really needed.

That's how they provide health care without avoidable infection. That's how their managers provide safer care with the right training equipment and programs. That's how to support health care without avoidable infection. People's lives depend on it.