Community Associated Methicillin resistant Staph aureus (CA-MRSA)
The Leading Cause of Skin and Soft Tissue Infections in Georgia

Think MRSA!
It’s not just in hospitalized patients anymore!

Clinical Features:
• abscess
• cellulitis
• “boil”
• furuncle

Common Misdiagnoses:
• spider bites
• Methicillin Sensitive Staphylococcus aureus

Treatment:
• drain abscess
• culture drainage
• consider packing, then dress wound
• if antibiotics needed avoid penicillins and cephalosporins

Georgia Clinical Guidelines: http://health.state.ga.us/mrsa/

Culture before you treat! Teach patients infection control.
If you have questions about community-associated MRSA, please notify your ICP ______________or local health department ________________________