

VISIT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE, GLASGOW, SCOTLAND

On the 14th Nov, 2017, the delegation of Dr Margaret Oluka, Prof Anastasia Guantai, and Dr Dorothy Aywak presented preliminary results of the pilot Antibiotic Point Prevalence Survey (PPS) to collaborators at the Strathclyde Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences (SIPBS). The antibiotic PPS had been conducted at the Kenyatta National Hospital in September 2017. The PPS was initiated by the school of pharmacy and the School of Medicine of the University of Nairobi in collaboration with the Ministry of Health (MOH), Kenya. Funding and technical support has been provided by US CDC (Atlanta) and Washington State University, USA. The antibiotic PPS is a national program emanating from Kenya's National Action Plan (NAP) against antimicrobial resistance (AMR). It aims at producing national baseline data on antibiotic utilization in Kenyan hospitals both in the public and private sector. The overall goal is to utilize the data to formulate evidence-based antimicrobial stewardship programs (AMSP) in Kenyan hospitals to promote rational use of antibiotics and hence combat AMR.