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potentially deadly and drug-resistant fungal infection, according to the CDC.

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Credit: U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - CDC.

David Matthews, New York Daily News (via TNS).

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warned Monday that cases of Candida auris, or C. auris — a potentially deadly and drug-resistant fungal infection — are on the rise at U.S. health-care facilities.

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especially those who are hospitalized or in nursing homes. The complications can affect the blood, heart, brain, eyes, bones and other parts of the body, according to the CDC.

About one third of patients who have "invasive" infections die. Given the difficulty treating the condition, C. auris is considered one the worst fungal threats public health officials face, according to World Health Organization rankings.

In the meantime, experts say methods of diagnosing C. auris infections as well as methods of preventing its spread among patients have improved dramatically.

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