

Antibiotic Prophylaxis

LIFETIME INFECTION PRECAUTIONS

Following surgery, you should take antibiotics for several medical procedures to reduce the risk of infection in your new joint. An untreated infection elsewhere may spread to your joint. Below are recommendations for specific procedures. For more information, please consult with your surgeon.

MEDICAL PROCEDURE	RECOMMENDED ANTIBIOTICS
DENTAL (including cleaning, scaling, extractions, root canal, fillings, capping and bridge work)	AMOXICILLIN 2 grams taken one hour before. <i>If you have penicillin allergy, CLINDAMYCIN 600mg one hour before</i>
FOOT PROCEDURES (including nail cutting and ingrown nail removal)	AMOXICILLIN 2 grams taken one hour before. <i>If you have penicillin allergy, CLINDAMYCIN 600mg one hour before</i>
SKIN PROCEDURES (including boils and infected skin lesions)	<i>Please consult surgeon's office</i>
GASTROINTESTINAL (including endoscopy, gastroduodenal and biliary tract)	CEFAZOLIN 1-2 grams IV before
COLORECTAL (including colonoscopy and sigmoidoscopy)	NEOMYCIN and ERTHROMYCIN 1 gram orally <u>OR</u> METRONIDAZOLE 1 gram orally
OB/GYN	CEFOXITIN, CEFAZOLIN 1-2 grams orally <u>OR</u> AMPICILLIN 3 grams IV one hour before
GENITOURINARY	CIPROFLOXIN 500 mg orally <u>OR</u> 400 mg IV one hour before
HEAD AND NECK	CLINDAMYCIN 600-900 mg IV <u>PLUS</u> GENTAMYCIN 1/5 mg/kg IV or CEFAZOLIN 1-2 grams one hour before
EYE	GENTAMYCIN, TOBRAMYCIN, CIPROFLOXACIN, LEVOFLOXACIN. Multiple drops over 2-24 hours or 100 mg subconjunctivally
HEART & VASCULAR	CEFAZOLIN or VANCOMYCIN 1 gram IV one hour before

