



Antibiotic Prophylaxis for Patients with Total Joint Replacement

Patients not allergic to penicillin: cephalexin, cephadrine, or amoxicillin: 2 grams orally 1 hour prior to dental procedure.

Patients not allergic to penicillin and unable to take oral meds: cefazolin 1 gram or ampicillin 2 grams IV/IM 1 hour prior to the procedure.

Patients allergic to penicillin: clindamycin 600 mg orally 1 hour prior to procedure.

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Prophylaxis recommended for (all invasive procedures), including but not limited to:

- Colonoscopy
- Dental extractions
- Periodontal procedures including surgery, sub-gingival placement of antibiotic fibers/strips, scaling and root planning, probing, recall maintenance
- Dental implant placement and reimplantation of avulsed teeth
- Endodontic (root canal) instrumentation or surgery only beyond apex
- Initial placement of orthodontic bands but not brackets
- Intraligamentary local anesthetic injections
- Prophylactic cleaning of teeth or implants where bleeding is anticipated

Prophylaxis *not* necessary for:

- Restorative dentistry (operative and prosthodontic) with/without retraction cord
- Local anesthetic injections
- Intracanal endodontic treatment; post-placement and build-up
- Placement of rubber dam
- Post-operative suture removal
- Placement of removable prosthodontic/orthodontic appliances
- Taking of oral impressions
- Fluoride treatments
- Orthodontic appliance adjustment

**** QUESTIONS REGARDING PROCEDURES NOT LISTED ABOVE PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE. ****