

ANTIBIOTICS AFTER JOINT REPLACEMENT SURGERY

Because you now have a joint made of artificial material, ***any infection needs prompt treatment to avoid spread into the artificial joint.*** Antibiotics must be taken whenever you will have any operation, scope (bladder, colon, etc.), or other invasive medical or dental procedure. This will remain true for the rest of your life, even for simple procedures like having your teeth cleaned. Please remind all doctors and dentists in the future that you need to have antibiotics because of your joint replacement.

Recommended antibiotics:

2 g Amoxicillin, 1 hour prior to dental or colonoscopy procedure (one dose only).

OR, if you are allergic to Penicillin,
Cipro 750 mg, 1 hour prior to procedure (one dose only).