

Information about Antibiotics



What are antibiotics for?

People take an antibiotic if they have an infection.



Where do I get antibiotics from?

You can only get antibiotics from your doctor.

Be careful!

Tell your doctor if you are allergic to anything.

Sometimes a rash or swelling of the face or mouth may be because of an allergy.

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines or if you are pregnant.





How do I take antibiotics?



Take them with a glass of water.

Ask the pharmacist, doctor or nurse if you need to take your antibiotic with food.

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When do I take antibiotics

Space the doses evenly during the day.

You should carry on taking your antibiotics until you have finished the course even if you feel better.

You need every dose to help fight the infection. If you stop taking the antibiotics early the infection might come back.



What if I take too many?

If you think you may have taken too many, tell your carer straight away.