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Antibiotics for Your Joint Replacement

Please let your doctor or dentist know you have a prosthetic joint replacement. While not known with certainty to be needed or effective for all patients, I recommend antibiotics for the following procedures:

Dental and Oral Procedures

Amoxicillin: 2.0 g orally 1 hour before the procedure.

Genitourinary and Gastrointestinal Procedures

Amoxicillin: 2.0 g orally 1 hour before the procedure. (If you cannot take Amoxicillin due to a penicillin allergy, please refer to the alternate antibiotics)

Alternate Antibiotics for Patients with a Penicillin Allergy

Dental and Oral Procedures

Clindamycin: 600 mg. orally 1 hour before the procedure

Genitourinary and Gastrointestinal Procedures

Ciprofloxacin: 750 mg. orally 1 hour before the procedure