

# Information Sheet No 15

## Advice For Patients On Antibiotic Therapy

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This leaflet is given to ALL patients of this practice who are prescribed an antibiotic as part of their dental treatment:-

1. Read and follow the instructions on the label of the antibiotic carefully
2. Complete the full course of antibiotic as prescribed
3. If you have any adverse reaction, stop taking the antibiotic and report to your dentist immediately
4. Important information if you are taking the oral contraceptive pill:-

Occasionally, the antibiotic may interfere with the way the oral contraceptive pill works. This has the effect of making the contraceptive pill less effective. Accordingly, you are advised to use additional methods of contraception whilst taking your course of antibiotics, and for 7 days after stopping the antibiotic.

However, you should continue to take your contraceptive pill in the normal way.

Any concerns or questions you may have regarding the contents of this leaflet can be discussed with your Dentist in COMPLETE CONFIDENCE.