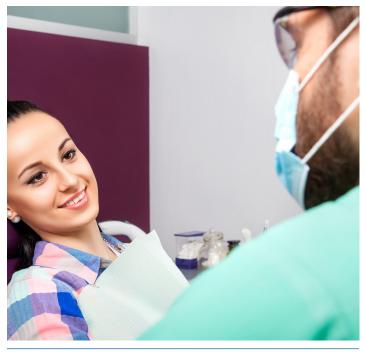
## Antibiotic Safety: Do's and Don'ts at the Dentist

## DO

- ✓ DO tell your dentist if you have any drug allergies or medical conditions.
- ✓ DO tell your dentist about any medications, vitamins, or herbal supplements you are taking.
- ✓ DO ask how some mouth infection can be treated without antibiotics.
- ✓ DO take your antibiotics exactly as prescribed.
- ✓ DO tell your dentist if you have side effects, such as frequent diarrhea, while taking, or shortly after stopping antibiotics.







## **DO NOT**

- X DO NOT skip doses or stop taking your antibiotics without consulting your dentist.
- **X DO NOT** save unused antibiotics for future use or give antibiotics to others.
- **X DO NOT** take antibiotics prescribed for others.
- X DO NOT pressure your dentist to prescribe an antibiotic. Instead, ask your dentist how you can feel better even if antibiotics are not prescribed.