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IMPORTANT POST-OPERATIVE
INFORMATION...PLEASE MAKE NOTE

****ANTIBIOTICS AFTER YOUR JOINT REPLACEMENT****

Please let your family doctor and dentist know that you have a prosthetic joint replacement. In an effort to help reduce the risk of an infected joint replacement, lifetime prophylactic antibiotics are recommended for the procedures listed below:

Dental, oral, upper respirator tract, genitourinary and gastrointestinal procedures:

- If not allergic to penicillin amoxicillin 2 grams by mouth one hour before procedure.
- If there is a penicillin allergy; clindamycin 600mg by mouth one hour before procedure.

Drainage of skin infections and furuncles:

- If not allergic to penicillin; dicloxacillin 500 mg by mouth one hour before procedure, then every six hours after the procedure for two doses.
- If there is a penicillin allergy; clindamycin 600 mg by mouth one our before procedure.

*** If you are unable to use any of these antibiotics, or if you have any questions, please contact your doctor.