

Dental Prophylactic Antibiotic Protocol

Dr. Limoni is committed to the safety of our patients and especially those who have undergone hip or knee joint replacement. Because of the possibility of joint infection can occur long after the joint replacement surgery, Dr. Limoni recommends that patients take antibiotics prior to any dental visit, including cleanings, for the first 2 years after surgery. After two years, antibiotics should still be taken prior to any deep cleanings or major dental procedures, including root canals or tooth extractions, etc.

For all Total hips and knees, including Uni-knee:

1. Amoxicillin: 500 mg, 4 tabs (2,000 mg) PO (by mouth) 1 hour prior to any dental appt; if allergic then
2. Clindamycin: 300 mg, 2 caps (600 mg) PO 1 hour prior dental; if allergic then
3. Cephalexin (Keflex) 500 mg 1 cap PO 1 hour prior to dental, if allergic then
4. Cipro (Ciprofloxacin) 750 mg, 1 cap PO 1 hour prior to dental

All other orthopedic surgeries: SI fusions, hardware implants such as plates, screws, etc. do NOT require prophylactic antibiotics.

If need prescriptions, please call our office: 920-882-8200