



THINK YOU NEED ANTIBIOTICS?

Be aware

Antibiotics **don't work** for
viruses like **colds** and the **flu**.

Using them for viruses **will not**
make you **feel better**.

Get smart
about antibiotics
talk
to your health care provider
or **visit:**

www.HealthOregon.org/Antibiotics

**Antibiotics are strong
medications that only work
against bacterial infections.**

If your illness is not a bacterial infection,
then you don't need them.

When using antibiotics,
always finish your full prescription,
and never share them with others or
save some for later.

Taking antibiotics when they're not needed
puts you at risk for developing resistant
bacterial infections that are difficult to treat.



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