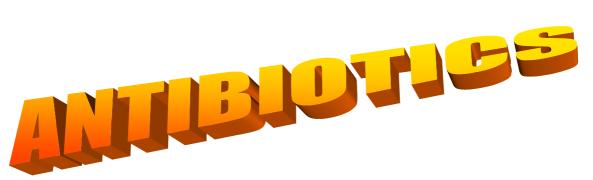


HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW? TRY OUR QUIZ FOR ALL HEALTHCARE STAFF Are the following statements True or False?

1	Antibiotic resistance is when an antibiotic no longer works. The more you use an antibiotic, the more bacteria become resistant to it	True / False
2	Antibiotic resistance is just a UK problem and is not a problem world wide	True / False
3	Antibiotics have no side effects	True / False
4	Antibiotics may help virus infections such as colds get better more quickly	True / False
5	Buying antibiotics in other countries won't affect antibiotic resistance in the UK	True / False
6	Not treating minor infections with antibiotics which would get better without is a way of reducing the development of resistance	True / False
7	Taking antibiotics at a lower dose than prescribed will help prevent resistance developing	True / False
8	The UK government is concerned that there are few new antibiotics being developed	True / False
9	Buying antibiotics over the internet is not recommended because antibiotics should only be taken when prescribed by your healthcare provider	True / False
10	You should finish the course of any antibiotics prescribed by your doctor because the infection may not be completely killed if you stop early. This could allow resistant bacteria to then infect you	True / False

PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR THE ANSWERS – NO PEEKING!



ALL HEALTHCARE STAFF QUIZ – ANSWERS

- 1 Antibiotic resistance is when an antibiotic no longer works. The more you use an antibiotic, the more bacteria become resistant to it True.
- 2 Antibiotic resistance is just a UK problem and is not a problem world wide False. Resistance is a global problem
- 3 Antibiotics have no side effects False. They have many side effects – some which can be serious
- 4 Antibiotics may help virus infections such as colds get better more quickly False. Antibiotics only kill bacteria, not viruses
- 5 **Buying antibiotics in other countries won't affect antibiotic resistance in the UK** False. Resistance knows no boundaries and resistant bacteria can spread from you to other people
- 6 Not treating minor infections with antibiotics which would get better without is a way of reducing the development of resistance True. The less antibiotics that are used, the slower resistance will develop
- 7 Taking antibiotics at a lower dose than prescribed will help prevent resistance developing

False. Antibiotics must be taken at the correct dose. Lower doses encourage the development of resistance as they not reach high enough concentrations at the site of infection. If a lower dose is taken, or it is taken less often than prescribed, e.g. once or twice instead of 2 times daily

- 8 The UK government is concerned that there are few new antibiotics being developed True. They are supporting initiatives to promote antibiotic awareness and prudent prescribing
- 9 Buying antibiotics over the internet is not recommended because antibiotics should only be taken when prescribed by your healthcare provider True. You should not self medicate with antibiotics. Also, medicines bought over the internet may not contain what they claim to contain, or may be a different strength to

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True. Always take the whole course prescribed to ensure all the bacteria are killed – even the 'tougher ones'