OUR COMMITMENT TO APPROPRIATE ANTIBIOTIC USE

As part of our commitment to the health and well-being of our patients, this practice is dedicated to prescribing antibiotics only when they are needed, and we will avoid giving antibiotics when they may do more harm than good. If an antibiotic is not needed, we will explain this to you and will offer an appropriate treatment plan.

Antibiotic stewardship ensures that every patient is given the best care for their specific condition and gets an antibiotic only when necessary. When needed, patients should get:

- the right **antibiotic**,
- at the right **dose**,
- for the right **duration**.

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**Up to 50%**

of all antibiotics prescribed are not needed at all or are not prescribed appropriately

**Each year in the United States,**

at least **2.8 million** people become infected with bacteria that are resistant to antibiotics

**At least 35,000** people die as a direct result of these infections

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This practice promotes appropriate antibiotic use because it leads to better patient care

Reducing unnecessary antibiotic use can decrease antibiotic resistance, improve patient outcomes, and lower healthcare costs

Your health is important to us and we promise to provide the best possible treatment for your condition. If you have any questions about antibiotics or your prescribed treatment, we encourage you to ask.

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