

Antibiotics

For pet owners

Antibiotics have to be **used carefully**. Some bacteria are getting resistant to these drugs, so we might not be able to stop some **diseases**.

Vets and owners have to work **together** to make sure this doesn't happen.

What are the three key questions?

1. Is it OK if my vet doesn't give antibiotics when my pet is ill?

✓ **Yes.** Your vet will only use them when absolutely necessary. They are used for bacterial diseases, not ones caused by viruses, like cat flu.

2. Do I need to follow what my vet says?

✓ **Yes.** Always give your pet the tablets, don't give them to another pet or stop the course without discussing this with your vet. Get in touch with your vet as well if you think the treatment isn't working.

3. Do I have to do anything myself?

✓ **Yes.** You need to handle your pet in a clean way. Use gloves and wash your hands thoroughly after looking after an ill pet.



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