

# Review of: "The Global Impact on Health of Dental Infections and Antibiotic Resistance:A mini Reveiw"

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I consider this article a good summary of the long-standing issue regarding the use of antibiotics in dentistry. I believe that the two most important aspects are: 1. the problem of antibiotic resistance, often related to inadequate dosage and duration of administration, which in any case does not concern only dentistry but often also physicians and pediatricians. 2. the importance of education for both the dentist and the patient in the rational use of antibiotics. Certainly, some good practices such as professional oral hygiene before infectious risk procedures and the maintenance of good sterility standards, especially during oral surgery, can help decrease the need for antibiotic prophylaxis. A small review of the dental procedures most commonly subject to antibiotic use and overuse, with special attention to oral surgery, would be interesting.