## A Commitment to Our Patients About Antibiotics

West Virginia Antibiotic Informed Management (WVAIM)



Did you know that West Virginia has one of the highest antibiotic prescription rates in the country?

- Antibiotics only work for infections caused by bacteria.
- Antibiotics will NOT help you feel better for viral infections such as:
  - ► Cold or runny nose
  - ► Bronchitis or chest cold
  - ► Flu
- Taking antibiotics when you don't need them can cause harm:
  - ► Diarrhea, skin rash, yeast infections
  - ► Antibiotic resistance can cause antibiotics to not work when you need them

## Your child's health is important to us.

We promise to provide the best treatment for your child. If an antibiotic is not needed, we will offer a different treatment plan that will help. We are dedicated to prescribing antibiotics only when they are needed.

If you have any questions, please ask.

Visit **go.wvu.edu/antibioticawareness** for more information and resources.



Sincerely,

**Practice Name** 





