Prevention of Infective Endocarditis; Appropriate preactices from ESC 2023 Guidelines

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Changing Epidemiology of Endocarditis

Box 1. Predisposing risk factors for endocarditis

Cardiac conditions:

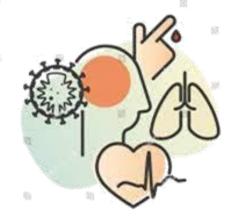
- > bicuspid aortic valve
- > mitral valve prolapse
- > rheumatic valve disease
- > congenital heart disease
- prior infective endocarditis
- patients with implanted cardiac devices (permanent pacemakers / implantable cardioverter-defibrillator)
- > prosthetic heart valves.

Comorbidities:

- intravenous drug use
- chronic kidney disease (particularly dialysis patients)
- > chronic liver disease
- malignancy
- > advanced age
- > corticosteroid use
- poorly controlled diabetes
- > indwelling line for venous access
- > immunocompromised state (including HIV infection).



Healthcare associated IE = 30% & PWID = rising trends in IE admissions
Often, more virulent pathogens (difficult to treat)

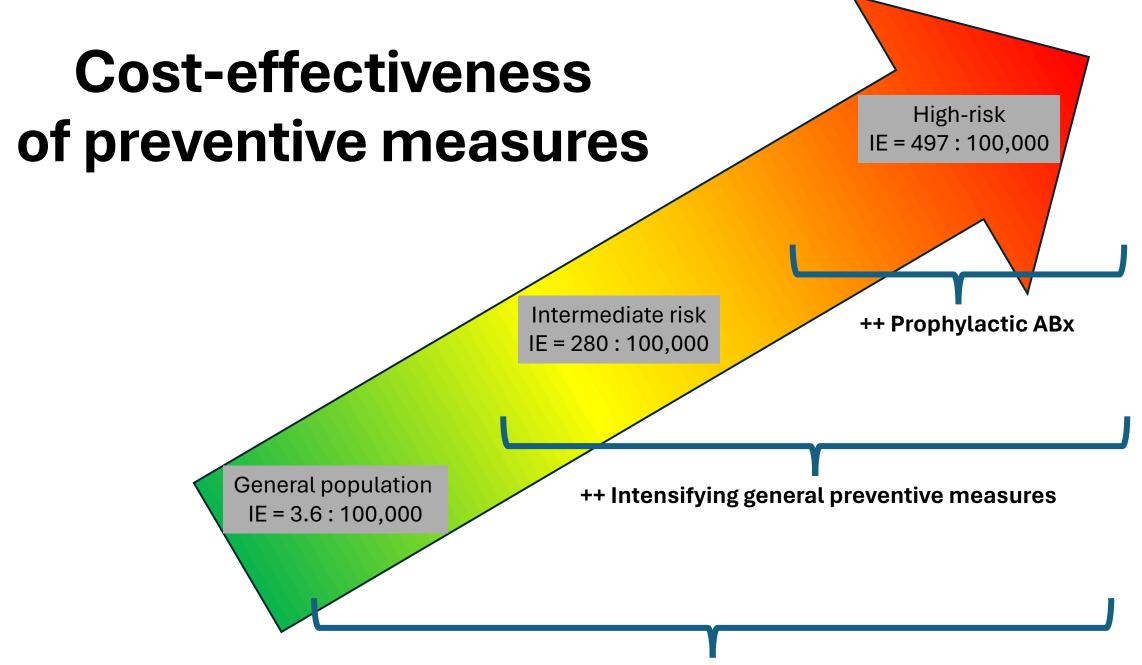




Does this mean we should change our strategies of prophylactic antiobiotics







General hygiene, aseptic precautions, appropriate pre-procedural sterilization

General prevention measures to be followed in patients at high and intermediate risk for infective endocarditis



Patients should be encouraged to maintain twice daily tooth cleaning and to seek professional

dental cleaning and follow-up at least twice yearly for high-risk patients and yearly for others

Strict cutaneous hygiene, including optimized treatment of chronic skin conditions

Disinfection of wounds

Curative antibiotics for any focus of bacterial infection

No self-medication with antibiotics

Strict infection control measures for any at-risk procedure

Discouragement of piercing and tattooing

Limitation of infusion catheters and invasive procedures when possible. Strict adherence to care

bundles for central and peripheral cannulae should be performed

Messages need to be well-delivered to patients at intermediate- and high-risk for IE



Maintain good dental hygiene

Use dental floss daily

Brush teeth morning and evening

See your dentist for regular check-ups



Be mindful of infections

If experiencing fever for no obvious reason, contact your doctor, and discuss appropriate action based on your risk of endocarditis



Maintain good skin hygiene

Minimize risk of skin lesions

In case of lesions, observe for signs of infection (redness, swelling, tenderness, puss)

Avoid tattoos and piercings



Do not self prescribe antibiotics



Show this card to your doctors before any interventions

Even; the strength of prophylactic Abx has been revised

2015	Class	Level	2023	Class	Level	
Recommendations for antibiotic proundergoing oro-dental procedures of		•	patients with cardiovascular diseases risk for infective endocarditis	S		
Antibiotic prophylaxis should be considered for patients at highest risk for IE:				Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with previous IE.	ı	В
Patients with any prosthetic valve, including a transcatheter valve, or those in whom any prosthetic material was used for cardiac valve repair.	IIa	С	Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with surgically implanted prosthetic valves and with any material used for surgical cardiac valve repair.	1	С	
2. Patients with a previous episode of IE. 3. Patients with CHD: (a) Any type of cyanotic CHD. (b) Any type of CHD repaired with a prosthetic material, whether placed surgically or by percutaneous techniques, up to 6 months after the procedure or lifelong if residual shunt	Ila	C	Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with transcatheter implanted aortic and pulmonary valvular prostheses.	ı	С	
	IIa		Antibiotic prophylaxis should be considered in patients with transcatheter mitral and tricuspid valve repair.	lla	С	

shunt.

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Revised recommendations (3)



2015 Class Level 2023 Class Level Recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis in patients with cardiovascular diseases undergoing oro-dental procedures at increased risk for infective endocarditis (continued)

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- (b) Any type of CHD repaired with a prosthetic material, whether placed surgically or by percutaneous techniques, up to 6 months after the procedure or lifelong if residual shunt.

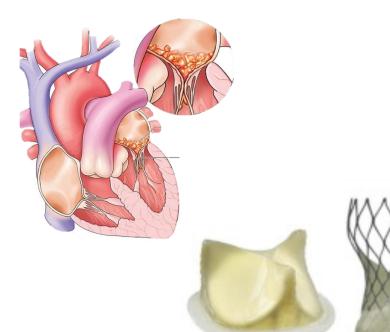
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with untreated cyanotic CHD, and patients treated with surgery or transcatheter procedures with postoperative palliative shunts, conduits, or other prostheses. After surgical repair, in the absence of residual defects or valve prostheses, antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended only for the first 6 months after the procedure.

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New recommendations (1)



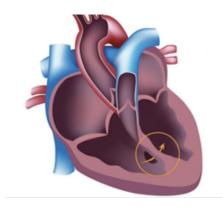
Recommendations	Class	Level		
Recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis in patients with cardiovascular diseases	undei	rgoing		
oro-dental procedures at increased risk for infective endocarditis				
General prevention measures are recommended in individuals at high and intermediate risk for IE.	1	С		
		C		
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with ventricular assist devices.	IIh	C		
Antibiotic prophylaxis may be considered in recipients of heart transplant.	IIb	C		
Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in high-risk patients				
Systemic antibiotic prophylaxis may be considered for high-risk patients undergoing				
an invasive diagnostic or therapeutic procedure of the respiratory, gastrointestinal,	IIb	C		
genitourinary tract, skin, or musculoskeletal systems.				
Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in cardiac procedures				
Optimal pre-procedural aseptic measures of the site of implantation is recommended		В		
to prevent CIED infections.				

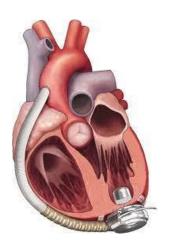


High-risk patients

□Previous IE







□Cyanotic CHD

- Unrepaired
- > Residual shunts conduits prothetic materials
- Repair within 6m

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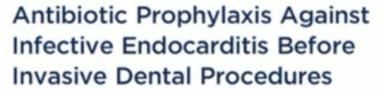
Dental Procedures





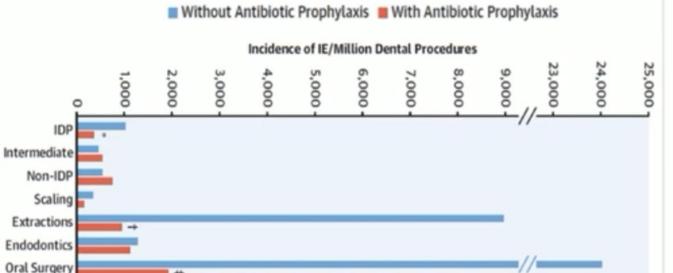
ORIGINAL INVESTIGATIONS

- Case-crossover Study in almost 8million US subjects.
- Invasive dental procedures significantly associated with the incidence of endocarditis.
- Antibiotic-prophylaxis before invasive dental procedures was associated with reduced incidence of Endocardits.

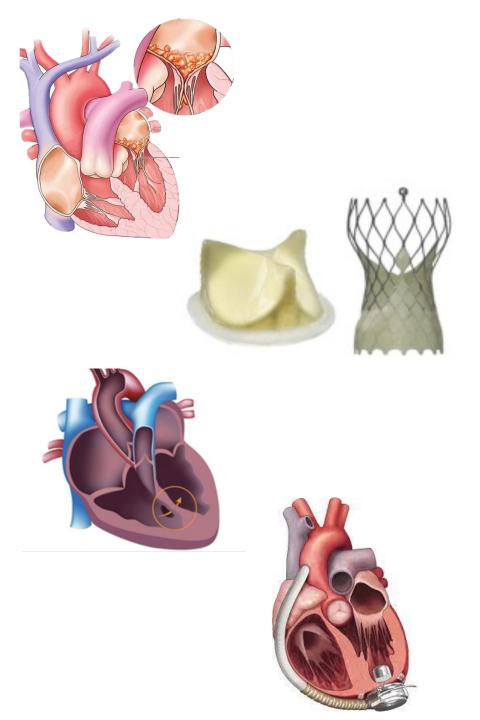




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Recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis in patients with cardiovascular diseases undergoing oro-dental procedures at increased risk for infective endocarditis

Recommendations		Level
General prevention measures are recommended in individuals at high and intermediate risk for IE.		С
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with previous IE.	ı	В
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with surgically implanted prosthetic valves and with any material used for surgical cardiac valve repair.		С
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with transcatheter implanted aortic and pulmonary valvular prostheses.	ı	С
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with untreated cyanotic CHD, and patients treated with surgery or transcatheter procedures with post-operative palliative shunts, conduits, or other prostheses. After surgical repair, in the absence of residual defects or valve prostheses, antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended only for the first 6 months after the procedure.	ı	С
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients with ventricular assist devices.	ı	С
Antibiotic prophylaxis should be considered in patients with transcatheter mitral and tricuspid valve repair.	lla	С
Antibiotic prophylaxis may be considered in recipients of transplant.	IIb	С
Antibiotic prophylaxis is not recommended in other patients at low risk for IE.	III	С

Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in high-risk patients				
Recommendations		Level		
Antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in dental extractions, oral surgery procedures, and procedures requiring manipulation of the gingival or periapical region of the teeth.	I	В		

Table 4 Prophylactic antibiotic regimen for high-risk dental procedures				
Antibiotic	Single-dose 30–60 min before procedure			
	Adults	Children		
Situation: No allergy to penicillin or ampicillin				
Amoxicillin	2 g orally	50 mg/kg orally		
Ampicillin	2 g i.m. or i.v.	50 mg/kg i.v. or i.m.		
Cefazolin or ceftriaxone	1 g i.m. or i.v.	50 mg/kg i.v. or i.m.		
Situation: Allerg	Situation: Allergy to penicillin or ampicillin			
Cephalexin ^{a,b}	2 g orally	50 mg/kg orally		
Azithromycin or clarithromycin	500 mg orally	15 mg/kg orally		
Doxycycline	100 mg orally	<45 kg, 2.2 mg/kg orally >45 kg, 100 mg orally		
Cefazolin or ceftriaxoneb	1 g i.m. or i.v.	50 mg/kg i.v. or i.m.		

Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in cardiac procedures			
Recommendations	Class	Level	
Pre-operative screening for nasal carriage of <i>S. aureus</i> is recommended before elective cardiac surgery or transcatheter valve implantation to treat carriers.	I	Α	
Peri-operative antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended before placement of a CIED.	1	Α	
Optimal pre-procedural aseptic measures of the site of implantation is recommended to prevent CIED infections.	1	В	
Periprocedural antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients undergoing surgical or transcatheter implantation of a prosthetic valve, intravascular prosthetic, or other foreign material.	1	В	

Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in cardiac procedures				
Recommendations	Class	Level		
Periprocedural antibiotic prophylaxis is recommended in patients undergoing surgical or transcatheter implantation of a prosthetic valve, intravascular prosthetic, or other foreign material.	I	В		
Surgical standard aseptic measures are recommended during the insertion and manipulation of catheters in the catheterization laboratory environment.	I	С		
Elimination of potential sources of sepsis (including of dental origin) should be considered ≥2 weeks before implantation of a prosthetic valve or other intracardiac or intravascular foreign material, except in urgent procedures.	lla	С		

Recommendations for infective endocarditis prevention in cardiac procedures				
Recommendations	Class	Level		
Antibiotic prophylaxis covering for common skin flora including <i>Enterococcus</i> spp. and <i>S. aureus</i> should be considered before TAVI and other transcatheter valvular procedures.	lla	С		
Systematic skin or nasal decolonization without screening for <i>S. aureus</i> is not recommended.	III	O		

CIED, cardiac implantable electronic device; TAVI, transcatheter aortic valve implantation.

May consider in HIGH-RISK PATIENTS ONLY

Systemic antibiotic prophylaxis may be considered for high-risk^a patients undergoing an invasive diagnostic or therapeutic procedure of the respiratory, gastrointestinal, genitourinary tract, skin, or musculoskeletal systems.



KEY MESSAGES



IE is relatively a rare, but deadly condition with prevalent morbidity and mortality



Adequate prevention of infective endocarditis is much more than prophylactic antiobiotics



Appropriate education about dental and personal hygine should be conveyed to the general population, and is mandatory to those at intermediate- and high-risk for IE



If this is adequately practiced, prophylactic Abx would be most cost-effective in high-risk patients undergoing high-risk procedures

