

Re: Wisdom tooth from hell

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oN wrote:

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Will being on pain killers/antibiotics for so long (she must have taken pain killers maybe 10-15 days out of the 30 days) cause any other problems. Wife is 36.

Have you OPT, x-rays?

There is possible that some other teeth have some pulpitis, or bone is broken, or some antagonist teeth is in some inflammation state, or... Try to find second opinion.

all the best,
Proka

Being on the antibiotics should not cause any other problems. Effectively, the reason why people should not be on antib's for a long time has more to do with them becoming immune to the positive effects of the drug and thereafter its efficacy not being the same should your wife need antibiotics later down the road. But one course of 15 days should not make much of a difference. Some people simply have different levels of resistance to bacteria and normal courses of Penicillin traditionally can run 3x/day for up to three weeks.

It is possible that your wife had some lingering effects from the Wisdom teeth extraction; possibly the doctor hit a nerve and that is what has effected the tongue? It certainly sounds like she had some bacteria infect the region. The mouth is replete with a very lot of nerves and blood vessels being so closely squeezed together (near the brain!) and consequently this is why antibiotics are prescribed.

As for myself, amoxicillin does not have the same level of benefit as do the more recent synthetic drugs Azithromycin/Zithromax, Levaquin and Gatofloxacin. Generally, a doctor will prescribe the amoxicillin/clamox first (in order to save these stronger drugs for

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more dire cases), and if they do not see satisfactory results move to Trimox, then to Augmentin, Gato, Azith, etc.

Hope that helps,

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