## **Myth Busting: Milk & Antibiotics**

There are NO antibiotics in milk!

Milk gets tested many times to make sure no antibiotics are present.

Milk gets tested at the farm and at the plant where the milk will be made into products sold at stores.

If a cow gets sick, they are separated from the others and will be treated with antibiotics if needed.

## What happens to the sick cow?

The sick cow will not only be separated from the other, healthy cows, but will be milked separately too.

The sick cow will be watched and tested closely.

Recovering cows will not return to the healthy cows until there are no antibiotics in its system.

## How can we make sure milk is antibiotic-free?

Dairy farmers care about their products and if there is ever a positive test, it will all be safely thrown out.

For the safety of people, there are many checkpoints that dairy must pass before a product ever reaches the shelf of a grocery store.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) makes sure the milk products are in fact safe for eating or drinking.



