Strep throat and antibiotics

Day 10 - no Strep bacteria
By Day 10 the antibiotic has killed all the Strep bacteria.

No symptoms
A few Strep bacteria are still in your throat.

Days 6–9

Feeling better
Antibiotic kills more Strep bacteria and you feel better BUT some of the bacteria are still there.

Days 2–5

Strep throat
If you stop the antibiotic before day 10 the Strep bacteria might grow again and you will get sick.

Day 1
Antibiotics start killing the Strep bacteria.

Start antibiotics for Strep throat

Swab for Strep throat

Signs of a throat infection
Swollen uvula
White spots
Red/swollen tonsils
Red/swollen throat
White furry tongue

A healthy mouth and throat

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