After an I.M. Antibiotic (Germ-Killing Shot)

You received _________________________________ (antibiotic) on ____/____/____ at ____am/pm for ________________________________ (condition/reason for medication).

We watched you carefully for 20 minutes after we gave you the shot and we did not see any problems from the medicine. However, you still need to watch for signs of any possible problems. This card lists the signs you should watch for. Keep it handy. Your health care provider may ask what medicine you got and when. We have written this information at the top of this card.

Watch for these signs over the next TWO (2) FULL DAYS:

Rash – small red dots, blotches, or raised places on your skin that may or may not itch

Itching – on skin, in mouth or throat, on tongue, or “all over”

Problems breathing – coughing, wheezing, or difficult breathing

Put a cold pack on the injection site to decrease soreness.

If you have any questions or concerns, call your health care provider or the Children’s Mercy Hospital Information Line at (816) 234-3188.

If you are having a hard time breathing, call 911 or have someone take you to the closest emergency room right away.