

Parental Factors Associated With Injudicious Antibiotic-seeking Behavior

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Objectives: To discover factors associated with parental antibiotic-seeking behavior. **Methods:** Parents (N=90) who had a child 14 years and under participated in the study. **Results:** ANOVA revealed differences in scores based on parent's age and whether parents had a job in the medical profession. A stepwise linear regression revealed that parents in the medical profession and parent income were significant predictors

of antibiotic-seeking behavior. **Conclusions:** Parents who were younger than 30, had a high school diploma or less, did not work in the medical profession, and made less than \$50,000 were more likely to follow injudicious antibiotic-seeking behavior.

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