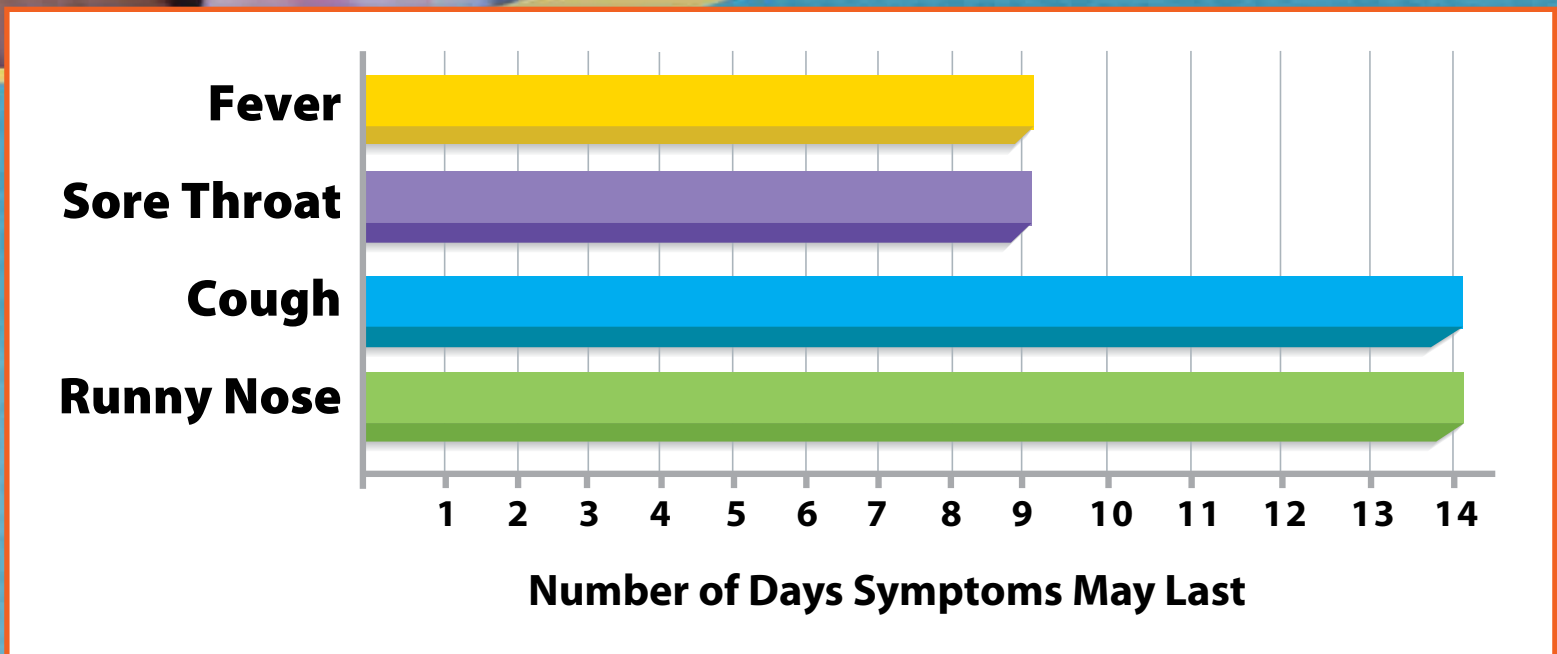


Do you know how long your cold and flu symptoms will last?



- Antibiotics **DO NOT** kill viruses like a cold, flu or most bronchitis infections.
- Take antibiotics only when your doctor prescribes antibiotics for **YOU**.
- Taking antibiotics when you don't need them or not taking them as prescribed by your doctor puts you at **INCREASED RISK** of getting "superbugs" resistant to antibiotics.

For more information ask your doctor and visit www.aware.md.



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