## Subject: I thought I had a bladder infection. . . Posted by spreegem on Sat, 04 Dec 2004 00:04:56 GMT

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I thought I had a bladder infection, It started like on Friday or Saturday, I was going to the bathroom alot more often then normal, about once an hour or so, and drinking the same amount as normal. It was really annoying. There was no pain, blood, or other symptoms as comes with a bladder infection except I was peeing alot more often. My mom brought me to my doctor because I wanted antibiotics to make it go away, it's kind of hard to sit through a 60 minute class and focus while constantly having to go to the bathroom (Yes it actually felt like I constantly had to go to the bathroom, even after I had just finished!) Well I went in myself the doctor asked me alot of questions . . . here they are.

Doctor: Is there any pain when you pee?

Me: No

Doctor: No burning, pain, or discomfort?

Me: No

Doctor: Are you sexually active?

Me: No

Doctor: Do you have a girlfriend?

Me: No

Doctor: Is there any blood when you go?

Me: No

Doctor: Are you sure your not sexually active?

Me: Yes, I'm sure

Doctor: When you relieve yourself does it still feel like your bladder is full?

Me: Yes

Well, they had me pee in one of those little cups to test it. You know how I said there was no blood when I peed? Well, there was that time, there wasn't before I went to the doctors office, and there wasn't after, only that one time. . . the doctor said he didn't think it would be bad. . . My mom was in the room when we got back, we started talking about what we wanted for dinner. 5 Minutes later the doctor came back in and sat down. He said that it is not a bladder infection. It is a urinary tract infection, which are rare in men, and higher in men that are not circumcised. Guess what, I wasn't circumcised. He said he's not a fan of it and it's rare anyways, so unless theres a good medical reason to get circumcised, what's the point. Well anyways a urinary tract infection can cause kidney problems, and they may re-occur. I have to get two tests done, one they put dye in my bladder for something, and the other they do an ultrasound to check my kidneys and bladder. Basically, if the tests turn out bad I will have to get circumsized.