Hsing Hsing, Giant Panda (male) eating bamboo at the National Zoo
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Dear Dr Henney,

I've been a health care provider for 23 yrs and have observed the proliferation of antibiotic resistant bacteria. I have long conversations with patients who think they will only recover with an antibiotic + so the visit becomes a mini-education in overuse of antibiotics + the need to only use when truly indicated.

Our family is educated + wealthy. We eat chicken + meat which has been produced/grown organically. My patients aren't so lucky.

Please work to ban the use of antibiotics in the agriculture (animal) business for growth enhancing purposes.

Thanks,

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