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| DRUG: | CHLORAMPHENICOL OPHTHALMIC PREPARATIONS |
| PRESENTATION: | <p>Ophthalmic solution 0.5% 10mL</p> <p>Each mL contains Chloramphenicol 5mg Hypromellose 3mg Phenylmercuric acetate 0.002%</p> <p>Ophthalmic ointment 1%</p> |
| ACTION & INDICATION: | Antibiotic eye drops / ointment. Used to treat susceptible infections of the eyes. |
| DOSE: | <p>Ophthalmic drops:</p> <p>One drop every two to six hourly for 2 to 3 days after clinical symptoms have resolved, and then decrease to 3 to 4 times a day.</p> <p>Ophthalmic ointment:</p> <p>Apply 0.5 to 1cm up to 3 hourly, or at night when drops used during the day.</p> <p>Eye toilet / care should be performed prior to administration of each dose.</p> |
| ADVERSE EFFECTS/ COMMENTS: | <p>Blood dyscrasias with prolonged therapy.</p> <p>Overgrowth of new susceptible organisms with prolonged use.</p> <p>Discard 30 days after opening</p> |
| REFERENCES: | Paediatric Pharmacopoeia 13 th Ed Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne |
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