

Government of Western Australia North Metropolitan Health Service Women and Newborn Health Service



ADULT MEDICATION GUIDELINE Scope (Staff): All WNHS Staff Scope (Area): Obstetrics and Gynaecology This document should be read in conjunction with the Disclaimer.

Quick Links									
Dose	Administration	Monitoring	Pregnancy and Breastfeeding						
Restrictions									
Formulary: Restricted Outpatient and discharge for use as per PBS or Therapeutic guidelines									
Formulary: Unrestricted Inpatient									
This is a penicillin. If the patient has a history of hypersensitivity to penicillins, confirm antibiotic choice with the treating team.									
Medication Class									
Penicillin antibacterial									
Presentation									
Vial (Powder for reconstitution): 1 g Capsule: 250 mg, 500 mg Oral liquid: 250 mg/ 5 mL, 100 mg/ mL									
Storage									
 Vial, capsule: Store at room temperature, below 25°C. Oral liquid: Once reconstituted the suspension should be used within 14 days and stored below 25°C. Infusion solution: Use immediately. 									

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Dose

Urinary tract infection (pregnancy)

Refer to Infections: Urinary tract infection in pregnant women

Infections in obstetrics (Intra-amniotic chorioamnionitis and postpartum infection):

Diagnosis and management

Refer to Infections in obstetrics : diagnosis and management

Pelvic Inflammatory Disease

Refer to Gynaecology (Non-oncological)

Group A Streptococcus (GAS)

Refer to Group A Streptococcus (GAS)

Group B streptococcal disease

Refer to Group B streptococcal disease

Postpartum complications

Refer to Postpartum complications (for internal use only)

Women with cardiac conditions who have an established genitourinary or intra-abdominal infection

Refer to Cardiac disease

Administration

<u>Oral</u>

Take with or without food.

IV injection or infusion

Refer to the Australian Injectable Drugs Handbook

Monitoring

Diarrhoea, vomiting, skin rash, candidiasis.

Pregnancy

1st Trimester: Safe to use.

2nd Trimester: Safe to use.

3rd Trimester: Safe to use.

Breastfeeding

Safe to use.

Comments

IV penicillins are physically and/or chemically incompatible with many substances (including aminoglycosides); give separately and flush line before and after administration.

Related Policies, Procedures & Guidelines

HDWA Mandatory Policies:

Formulary one

Antimicrobial Stewardship

WNHS Clinical Practice Guidelines:

Infections: Urinary tract infection in pregnant women

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Cardiac disease

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WNHS Pharmaceutical and Medicines Management Guidelines:

Medication Administration

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	Std 2: Partnering with Consumers			Std 6: Communicating for Safety				
	Std 3: Preventing and Controlling Healthcare Associated Infection			Std 7: Blood Management				
	Std 4: Medication Safety			Std 8: Recognising and Responding to Acute Deterioration				
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