

Infected Eczema Treatment				
Drug	Children's Dose	Adult Dose	Duration	Notes
<b>1st choice option</b>				
Flucloxacillin	<a href="#">See flucloxacillin dosing table for children</a>	500mg every 6 hours	7 days	Avoid in penicillin allergy  To optimise absorption, take on an empty stomach (either 1 hour before food or 2 hours after).
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> choice options</b>				
Cefalexin	<a href="#">See cefalexin dosing table for children</a>	500mg every 12 hours	7 days	Cephalosporins should not be used in severe penicillin allergy
Clarithromycin	<a href="#">See clarithromycin dosing table for children</a>	250mg every 12 hours (can be increased if necessary in severe infection to 500mg every 12 hours)	7 days	Macrolides should be used with caution in pregnancy. Clarithromycin suitable only in 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> trimester in pregnancy.
<b>1<sup>st</sup> choice option in pregnant, penicillin allergic patients</b>				
Clindamycin		300mg every 6 hours	7 days	Caution: risk of <i>C. difficile</i>
<b>Topical Treatment (Reserve for localised infections)</b>				
Fusidic Acid	Topically to affected areas every 8 hours		5-7 days	