

Consider no antibiotic or delayed antibiotic strategy**If antibiotics deemed clinically indicated:**

Drug	Dose	Duration	Notes
Adults: 1st choice options			
Phenoxyethylpenicillin	666mg every 6 hours (Calvepen®) OR 500mg every 6 hours (Kopen®)	5 days	Avoid in penicillin allergy. Depending on clinical response, duration can be extended to 10 days in total. To optimise absorption, take on empty stomach.
Adults: 2nd choice options / Penicillin Allergy			
Cefalexin	500mg every 6 hours	5 days	Depending on clinical response, duration can be extended to 10 days in total. <i>Cephalosporins should NOT be used in those with known severe Penicillin allergy (anaphylaxis, angioedema, wheezing, acute urticaria, severe generalised skin reactions, skin reactions, haemolytic anaemia, interstitial nephritis, hepatitis)</i>
Clarithromycin	500mg every 12 hours	5 days	Macrolides should be used with caution in pregnancy. Clarithromycin suitable only in 2 nd and 3 rd trimester in pregnancy. Alternative macrolide for all trimesters of pregnancy: Azithromycin 500mg stat then 250mg every 24 hours from Day 2 to Day 5.
Children: 1st choice options			
Phenoxyethylpenicillin suspension	See Phenoxyethylpenicillin dosing for children	5 days	Avoid in penicillin allergy. Depending on clinical response, duration can be extended to 10 days in total. To optimise absorption, take on empty stomach.
Children: 2nd choice options / Penicillin Allergy			
Cefalexin suspension	See Cefalexin dosing for children	5 days	Depending on clinical response, duration can be extended to 10 days in total. <i>Cephalosporins should NOT be used in those with known severe Penicillin allergy (anaphylaxis, angioedema, wheezing, acute urticaria, severe generalised skin reactions, skin reactions, haemolytic anaemia, interstitial nephritis, hepatitis)</i>
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