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AMOXICILLIN

Amoxicillin is an antibiotic taken by mouth for the treatment of certain sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

Allergies

- Tell your healthcare provider if you have an allergy to penicillin antibiotics (e.g., amoxicillin, ampicillin, cloxacillin, penicillin V-K, penicillin G benzathine, penicillin G sodium, piperacillin) or cephalosporin antibiotics (e.g., cefadroxil, cephalexin, cefaclor, cefprozil).

Pregnancy and Breast/Chest Feeding

- Amoxicillin may be taken during pregnancy and chest/breastfeeding. Please consult your healthcare provider.

CAUTION

- Allow 72 hours or more to elapse between administration of the last dose of amoxicillin and oral live typhoid vaccine (Vivotif®).
- Drug Interactions: Please note that individual drug interactions are no longer listed in this document.
- If you are taking any prescription, non-prescription, herbal, or recreational products, please discuss with your healthcare provider.

Side Effects

- You may experience rash, diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting.
- Get emergency medical help immediately, if you have the following signs of an allergic reaction: hives, difficulty breathing, and swelling of the face, lips, tongue and throat.

Instructions for Taking

- Take medication with or without food until finished. Follow dosage instructions from your healthcare provider.
- If you miss a dose, take that dose as soon as you remember, but if it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose.

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Storage Instructions

- Store at room temperature between 15°C and 30°C.
- Protect from light, heat, and moisture.
- Do not use medications beyond the labeled expiry date.
- Keep away from the reach of children.

Special Instructions

- Do not have sex until:
    - One week after you have started your treatment, or as advised by your healthcare provider, AND
    - One week after any ongoing partners have started their treatment, even if their test results are negative.
- You will need retreatment if you have sex with an untreated partner, or if you have sex before either you or your partner's treatment is complete. Please discuss with your healthcare provider.
- **Test of Cure**: If your healthcare provider has prescribed amoxicillin to treat chlamydia or gonorrhea, it is recommended that you **repeat the test in 3-4 weeks after completion of treatment to ensure that the infection is gone**.

If you have any questions or need further information, please visit http://www.smartsexresource.com or contact your healthcare provider.