West of Scotland ORAL/ OTHER ROUTE Drug Monographs

Clindamycin

FORM 75mg/5ml oral solution (dry powder for reconstitution)

INDICATION Treatment of Infection where sensitivities indicate

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate < 14 days	3 – 6mg/kg	THREE times daily	Oral
Neonate 14 - 28 days	3 – 6mg/kg	FOUR times daily	Oral
1 – 6 months	3 – 6mg/kg	FOUR times daily	Oral

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

FURTHER INFORMATION• Monitor liver function tests and blood counts

• Has been associated with antibiotic colitis – review if patient

develops diarrhoea

STORAGE • Reconstitute for oral use as directed on bottle and remains

stable for 14 days

DO NOT REFRIGERATE

LICENSED STATUS • Unlicensed special

LINKS BNF for Children: / Electronic Medicines Compendium

APPLICABLE POLICIES West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines:

Consult local policy if applicable

Document Number:	002	Supersedes:	001
Prepared by:	Lauren Williams	Checked by	WoS Neonatal Pharmacists
Date prepared	October 2018	Date updated	October 2021
Updated by	Lauren Williams	Review Date	October 2024

Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.

