West of Scotland ORAL/ OTHER ROUTE Drug Monographs

Fluconazole

FORM Oral suspension 50mg/5ml , (to be reconstituted)

INDICATION 1. Prevention/ Treatment of fungal infections in high risk patients

DOSE RANGE

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AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
< 2 weeks	12mg/kg	Every 72 hours	Oral
2 - 4 weeks	12mg/kg	Every 48 hours	Oral
> 4 weeks	12mg/kg	Once daily	Oral

Half dosage in renal impairment

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

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

FURTHER INFORMATION

Reconstitution of Oral Solution (**For Diflucan® - Pfizer brand ONLY**)

<u>Powder for oral suspension 10 mg/ml in 60 ml capacity bottle: 35 ml suspension after reconstitution:</u>

- 1. Tap the bottle to release the powder.
- 2. Add a small quantity of still water and shake it vigorously. Add water up to the level marked () on the bottle (this corresponds in total to adding 24 ml of water)
- 3. Shake well for 1 to 2 minutes.
- 4. After reconstitution there will be a usable volume of 35 ml.

STORAGE The reconstituted oral solution can be stored at room temperature and

discarded after 28 days.

LICENSED STATUS Licensed for use in all ages

LINKS BNF for Children: / Electronic Medicines Compendium

APPLICABLE POLICIES West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines:

Consult local policy if applicable

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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.

