

Linezolid

FORM Granules for oral suspension 100mg/5ml

INDICATION Treatment of severe infection on microbiology advice

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Up to 7 days	10mg/kg	Every 12 hours*	oral
7days-6months	10mg/kg	Every 8 hours	oral

* frequency can be increased to every 8 hours if poor response

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

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

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Reconstitute following the directions on bottle
- Prior to each dose, invert bottle gently a few times-do NOT shake the bottle
- Weekly full blood count (including platelets). If significant myelosuppression occurs treatment should be stopped/changed unless benefit outweighs risk
- Monitor blood pressure
- Severe optic neuropathy may occur

STORAGE After reconstitution store in original carton to protect from light
Expires 3 weeks after reconstitution

LICENSED STATUS Not licensed < 18yrs

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.