West of Scotland ORAL/ OTHER ROUTE Drug Monographs

Phenoxymethylpenicillin (Penicillin V)

FORM 250mg/5ml Oral Suspension (Dry powder for reconstitution)

INDICATION 1. Treatment of infection where sensitivities indicate

2. Prevention of pneumococcal infection in asplenia or in patients

with sickle cell disease

Note Penicillin V suspension is NOT suitable for treating Group B

Strep infection

DOSE RANGE

1. Treatment of infection where sensitivities indicate

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Birth to 6 months	12.5mg/kg	FOUR times daily	Oral
	(Maximum dose 62.5mg)		

2. Prevention of infection in asplenia or sickle cell disease

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Birth to 6 months	62.5mg	TWO times daily	Oral

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

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

STORAGE Store in the fridge after opening. Discard 7 days after reconstitution

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.

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