

Congenital Gonococcal Conjunctivitis



Treatment: IV or IM Cefotaxime

Dose: 100mg/kg

Duration: 1 dose

- Usually occurs 24-48 hours following birth but may present up to 7 days after delivery
- Risk of ulceration if treatment delayed
- Topical treatment is not required in addition to systemic treatment
- Regular cleaning of the lids with sterile 0.9% sodium chloride solution 4-6 hourly as necessary
- Daily examination of the eye for the presence of discharge for at least 1 week after treatment
- Refer to Ophthalmology
- Refer mother to Genito-urinary medicine

References:

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4. BASHH.org
5. GGC Guidance

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