

DRUG:	PARACETAMOL (Oral)
PRESENTATION:	Oral mixture: 250mg/5mL
ACTION & INDICATION:	Analgesic and antipyretic for fever, or mild to moderate pain.
DOSE:	28 to 32 weeks: Loading dose: 20mg/kg/dose, then 10-15mg/kg/dose every 8 to 12 hours if necessary Maximum dose: 30mg/kg/day >32 weeks Loading dose: 20mg/kg/dose, then 10-15mg/kg/dose every 6-8 hours if necessary Maximum dose :60mg/kg/day
ADMINISTRATION:	Oral
ADVERSE EFFECTS:	Hypersensitivity, rash. Hepatotoxic with chronic use. Risk of haemolysis in G6PD patients with high dosage
COMMENTS:	For Intravenous dosing see Paracetamol (intravenous) monograph. NB: IV and Oral dose regimes are different
REFERENCES:	BNF for Children 2008
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