



## NEONATAL MEDICATION PROTOCOLS

**POLOXAMER (Coloxyl Drops ®)**  
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<b>DRUG</b>	<b>POLOXAMER (Coloxyl Drops ®)</b>
<b>PRESENTATION:</b>	Oral Liquid 10% (100mg/mL) 30mL
<b>ACTION &amp; INDICATION:</b>	Indicated for constipation Softens stool by assisting mixture of water into faeces. May also increase intestinal fluid secretion.
<b>DOSE:</b>	Infant <6 months, 0.3mL THREE times a day.
<b>PREPARATION:</b>	Ready prepared product. No Dilution required
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>	Administer orally
<b>ADVERSE EFFECTS:</b>	Diarrhoea and excessive loss of water and electrolytes, particularly potassium
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	Synonyms - poloxalkol or poloxamer 188 Maximum faecal softening effect may not be observed until after 2 to 3 days treatment.
<b>REFERENCES:</b>	Australian Medicines Handbook & MIMS Online
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