



ADULT




METRONIDAZOLE

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[Antimicrobial Restriction – Unrestricted](#)

Presentation	<p>Tablet: 200mg Tablet: 400mg Injection: 500mg/100mL Suppositories: 500mg Oral Suspension: 200mg/5mL</p>
Dose	Refer to KEMH guidelines for dosing regime
Administration	<p><u>IV infusion</u> Administration: Infuse undiluted over 20 minutes</p> <p><u>Oral tablet</u> To be taken with food</p> <p><u>Oral suspension</u> To be taken one hour BEFORE food</p>
Pregnancy	<p>1st Trimester: Consider alternative 2nd Trimester: Considered safe to use 3rd Trimester: Considered safe to use</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>Maternal use not associated with increased risk of congenital malformations or adverse pregnancy outcomes. Mutagenic effects in bacteria and carcinogenic effects in animals have not been confirmed in human studies.</p> </div>
Breastfeeding	Considered safe to use
Monitoring	Monitor blood count and neurotoxic reactions when treating for >10 days
Clinical Guidelines and Policies	<p>Antimicrobial Stewardship Policy Secondary Postpartum Haemorrhage Gynaecology (Non-oncological) Acute pelvic inflammatory disease</p>

	<p>Vaginal infections: Antibiotic treatment for Reproductive Medicine</p> <p>Gynaecological and Urogynaecological Surgery: Antibiotic Prophylaxis for KEMH Drugs and Breastfeeding</p> <p>Standard Procedures for Reconstitution and Administration of IV Drugs (Adults)</p> <p>Intravenous Medications - Procedure for Reconstitution and Administration</p>
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