

Clindamycin

Essential medicine status

General description

Clindamycin is a lincosamide antibiotic with activity against gram-positive cocci and many anaerobes.

INN

Clindamycin

ATC codes

[J01FF01](#)

Medicine type

Chemical agent

Antibiotic groups

[ACCESS](#)

EML status history

First added in 1991 ([TRS 825](#)) for [Bacterial infection of unspecified site](#)

Added in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#)) for [Osteomyelitis or osteitis](#)

Added in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#)) for [Bacterial infection of joint](#)

Removed in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#)) for [Bacterial infection of unspecified site](#)

Added in 2021 ([TRS 1035](#)) for [Necrotising fasciitis](#)

Wikipedia

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DrugBank

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Recommendations

Section

Access group antibiotics

- Parenteral > General injections > IV: 150 mg per mL (as phosphate); 600 mg per 4 mL (as phosphate); 900 mg per 6 mL (as phosphate)
- Oral > Liquid: 75 mg per 5 mL powder for oral liquid (as palmitate hydrochloride)
- Oral > Solid: 150 mg (as hydrochloride)
- Oral > Liquid: 75 mg per 5 mL (as palmitate hydrochloride)
- Oral > Solid: 150 mg (as hydrochloride) capsule
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 150 mg per mL (as phosphate) injection

Indications

**First choice**

[Necrotising fasciitis](#)

**Second choice**

[Osteomyelitis or osteitis](#) [Bacterial infection of joint](#)

Other indications

[Bacterial infection of unspecified site](#)