Model List of Essential Medicines

Amoxicillin

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Oral > Liquid: 125 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid; 250 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 250 mg in vial (as sodium) powder for injection; 500 mg in vial (as sodium) powder for injection; 1 g in vial (as sodium) powder for injection ◦ Oral > Solid > dispersible tablet: 250 mg (scored) (as trihydrate); 500 mg (scored) (as trihydrate) ◦ Oral > Solid > dosage form: 250 mg (as trihydrate); 500 mg (as trihydrate)	**Second choice** Bacterial meningitis

Ampicillin

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 500 mg in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection; 1 g in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection	**Second choice** Bacterial meningitis

Benzylpenicillin

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 600 mg in vial powder for injection (=1 million IU as sodium or potassium salt); 3 g in vial powder for injection (=5 million IU as sodium or potassium salt)	**Second choice** Bacterial meningitis

Cefotaxime

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 250 mg in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 500 mg in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 1 g in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 2 g in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt)	**First choice** Bacterial meningitis

Ceftriaxone

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 250 mg in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 500 mg in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 1 g in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt); 2 g in vial powder for injection (as sodium salt)	**First choice** Bacterial meningitis

Chloramphenicol

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > IV: 1 g in vial powder for injection (sodium succinate) ◦ Parenteral > General injections > IM: 500 mg in 2 mL ampoule oily suspension for injection	**Second choice** Bacterial meningitis

Gentamicin

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 10 mg per mL in 2 mL vial (as sulfate); 40 mg per mL in 2 mL vial (as sulfate)	**First choice** Neonatal meningitis

Meropenem

Section	Indications
Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections ◦ Parenteral > General injections > IV: 500 mg in vial (as trihydrate) powder for injection; 1 g in vial (as trihydrate) powder for injection	**Second choice** Neonatal meningitis