### Indication

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### INN

- Amoxicillin

### Medicine type

- Chemical agent

### Antibiotic groups

- ACCESS

### List type

- Core (EML)
- Core (EMLc)

### Formulations

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<td>Oral &gt; Liquid</td>
<td>125 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid (EMLc) ; 250 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid (EMLc)</td>
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<td>Parenteral &gt; General injections &gt; unspecified</td>
<td>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</td>
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<td>Oral &gt; Solid &gt; dosage form</td>
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### EML status history

- First added in 2017 (TRS 1006)
- Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)

### Sex

- All

### Age

- Also recommended for children

### Therapeutic alternatives

- The recommendation is for this specific medicine

### Patent information

- Patents have expired in most jurisdictions
- Read more about patents.

### Wikipedia

- Amoxicillin

### DrugBank

- Amoxicillin

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**Expert Committee recommendation**

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended:
- The addition of new formulations of amoxicillin (dispersible, scored tablet, 250 mg and 500 mg) to the EMLc.
- The addition of new formulations of cefalexin (dispersible tablet 125 mg and 250 mg) to the EMLc.
- The addition of a new strength formulation of clarithromycin (solid oral dosage form 250 mg) to the EMLc.
- The deletion of clarithromycin 500 mg solid oral dosage form from the EMLc.

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**EML recommendations: Acute pharyngitis**

**First choice**

- Watchful waiting, symptom relief and no antibiotic treatment should be considered as the first-line treatment option.

- **phenoxymethylpenicillin**

- **amoxicillin**

**Second choice**

- **cefalexin**

- **clarithromycin**