Benzylpenicillin

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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EMLc | ATC codes: J01CE01

Indication	Bacterial infection of unspecified site ICD11 code: 1C41
INN	Benzylpenicillin
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A ACCESS
List type	Core
Formulations	**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)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Removed in 2017 (TRS 1006)
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	Benzylpenicillin
DrugBank	Benzylpenicillin

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

As part of the comprehensive review of antibacterials undertaken by the Expert Committee in 2017, listing of benzylpenicillin was reviewed and specific indications for its use were recommended. Refer to the 2017 recommendation(s) for benzylpenicillin for more information.

