

Update to CDC's Treatment Guidelines for Gonococcal Infection, 2020

Uncomplicated **gonococcal infections** of the cervix, urethra, or rectum:

- **Ceftriaxone 500 mg IM x 1** for patients <150 kg (300 lb)
- Ceftriaxone 1 g IM x 1 for patients ≥150 kg (300 lb)
 - **Chlamydial infection = doxycycline 100 mg orally twice daily for 7 days**
 - Chlamydia & Pregnancy = azithromycin 1 g x 1
- Alternative
 - Gentamicin 240 mg IM x 1 + azithromycin 2 g orally as a single dose **OR**
 - Cefixime 800 mg orally x 1
 - Chlamydia = doxycycline 100 mg orally twice daily for 7 days
 - During pregnancy, azithromycin 1 g x 1

Recommended regimen for uncomplicated gonococcal infections of the pharynx:

- **Ceftriaxone 500 mg IM x 1** for patients <150 kg (300 lb)
- Ceftriaxone 1 g IM x 1 for patients ≥150 kg (300 lb)
 - **Chlamydial infection = doxycycline 100 mg orally twice daily for 7 days**
 - Chlamydia & Pregnancy = azithromycin 1 g x 1
- No reliable alternative treatments
- Unless severe anaphylaxis penicillin allergy – consider giving ceftriaxone
- For persons with an anaphylactic or other severe reaction (e.g., Stevens Johnson syndrome) to ceftriaxone, consult an infectious disease specialist for an alternative treatment recommendation



***Azithromycin only recommended for Chlamydia patients with pregnancy or penicillin allergy**