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Procedure

Paediatrics - Appendicectomy: Appendix Normal or Inflamed

Prophylactic Antimicrobials

First Line Prophylaxis/ Delayed-Onset Penicillin Hypersensitivity:

Cef-UR-oxime IV AND Metronidazole IV

If MRSA cover required, Add Teicoplanin IV

Immediate-Onset or Severe Penicillin Hypersensitivity:

Teicoplanin IV AND Gentamicin IV AND Metronidazole IV

Duration of Prophylaxis

Uncomplicated appendicitis: No further post op doses necessary

Comments

If patient chronically colonised with bacteria other than MRSA, contact Microbiology for advice.

Procedure

Paediatrics - Appendicectomy: Appendix Gangrenous or Perforated

Prophylactic Antimicrobials

First Line Prophylaxis/ Delayed-Onset Penicillin Hypersensitivity:

Cef-UR-oxime IV AND Metronidazole IV AND Gentamicin IV

If MRSA cover required, Add Teicoplanin IV

Immediate-Onset or Severe Penicillin Hypersensitivity:

Teicoplanin IV AND Gentamicin IV AND Metronidazole IV

Duration

I reatment course required post-op: Continue for 5 days (switch IV to PO when clinically appropriate).

Comments

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Procedure

Paediatrics - Insertion of Non-tunnelled and Tunnelled Central Lines

Prophylactic Antimicrobials

Antimicrobial prophylaxis not recommended.

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