



## Ceftriaxone Treatment

Ceftriaxone is an antibiotic given by injection into a muscle for the treatment of sexually transmitted infections.

### Allergies

- Tell your health care provider if you have an allergy to ceftriaxone, other cephalosporins, penicillins, or lidocaine\* (preferred diluent).

### Pregnancy/Breastfeeding

- **Ceftriaxone** may be used with caution during pregnancy and breastfeeding. Please consult your physician.

### CAUTION

- **Tell your health care provider if you have any bleeding, gallbladder, pancreas, liver, or kidney disorders.**
- **Ceftriaxone may interfere with certain urine glucose tests.** (Clinitest®)

### You cannot take the following medications with Ceftriaxone:

- **Oral Typhoid vaccine** (Vivotif®)
- **Any medications given by vein that contain calcium**

### Tell your health care provider if you are taking the following medications:

- **Anticoagulants:** Warfarin (Coumadin®)
- **Immunosuppressants:** Cyclosporine (Neoral®)
- **Gout/Gouty Arthritis:** Probenecid (Benuryl®)

### Side Effects

- You may get discomfort, redness or swelling at the injection site and experience skin rash or diarrhea. If any of these effects persist or worsen, please contact your doctor.

### Care of Yourself Following Treatment

- Please wait in the clinic 15 minutes after your treatment.
- If you have any reaction following treatment (for example: rash, itchiness, difficulty breathing), please inform a staff member immediately.
- If these symptoms occur after leaving the clinic please seek emergency medical help immediately.

### Storage Instructions

- Store at room temperature between 15-30°C.
- Protect from light, heat, and moisture.
- Do not use medications beyond the printed expiry date.
- Keep away from the reach of children.

# Ceftriaxone Treatment (Cont'd)

## Special Instructions

- Do not have sex until:
  - one week after your 1-day treatment; or,
  - your 7-day treatment is complete if you received alternate treatment, and
  - your sex partner(s) have also been treated, even if their test results are negative.
- Tell your health care provider if:
  - you have sex with an untreated partner or
  - you have sex before either you or your partner(s) treatment is complete.
- If you are using a hormonal form of birth control (oral tablets, ring, or patch), use an extra method of protection until your present cycle is completed.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact your doctor, local health unit, or see contact information below.

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### \* LIDOCAINE:

Lidocaine hydrochloride 1% (10 mg per mL) is supplied in 5 mL single use ampoules. It is the preferred and standard diluent provided by BCCDC to reconstitute ceftriaxone and to lessen pain at the injection site. If lidocaine can not be given, consult STI Control.

- Do not use if allergic or hypersensitive to lidocaine, other components of the product, or other local anesthetics of the "amide" type (e.g. prilocaine).
- Check expiration date.
- Use 0.9 mL to reconstitute ceftriaxone.
- The ampoule is preservative-free and is for SINGLE USE only. Discard remaining (unused) volume.
- BCCDC supplies lidocaine (1%) without epinephrine.
- Do not store above 25°C.