

Acumen Dental - Products at a Glance

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Abbecillin VK	Penicillin for simple gram positive infections
Amoxicillin	Broad spectrum penicillin for gram positive and gram negative coverage
Karlor (Cefaclor)	Broad spectrum cephalosporin for gram positive and gram negative infections where penicillin allergy is present or suspected
Metronidazole/ Flagyl	Broad spectrum anti-microbial ideal for aerobic and anaerobic oral and gastro-intestinal infections
Codeine & Paracetamol e.g. Prodeine / Codalgin Forte	High dose codeine/paracetamol combination analgesic for post procedural pain relief
Pain Relief & Calmative e.g. Mersyndol	As above with added Doxylamine for nocturnal use
Erythromycin	Broad spectrum antimicrobial where penicillin allergy or resistance to penicillin is demonstrated

Dispensing Guide at a Glance

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Presentation	What to Use	Example Product	If Unresponsive	See Notes
Superficial Infection	Penicillin V Amoxicillin Always confirm no allergy to penicillin before prescribing these products	Abbecillin Amoxicillin	Flagyl/Metronidazole Flagyl/Metronidazole	1,2
Superficial Infection Penicillin Allergy	Clindamycin	Ceclor CD	Flagyl/Metronidazole Flagyl/Metronidazole	1
Gingivitis Acute (Necrotising) Ulcerative Gingivitis	Treat as Superficial infection Metronidazole	Flagyl/Metronidazole	Flagyl/Metronidazole	1
Significant surgery planned	Amoxicillin	Amoxicillin 250mg or 500mg		1
Mild to moderate pain	Daytime: Codeine & Paracetamol or Ibuprofen & Paracetamol combination Nighttime: Above with calmative	Maxigesic, Prodeine or Mersyndol Forte		
Severe pain	Daytime: Codeine & Paracetamol or Ibuprofen & Paracetamol combination Nighttime: Above with calmative	Prodeine Forte or Mersyndol Forte		3
Anti Inflammatory	Ibuprofen	Maxigesic or Ibuprofen, Paracetamol Generic		4

Notes: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN – this label must be fixed to each product label

- 1 Antibiotic only to be prescribed if spread of infection is beyond confines of jaw or physical system or when there is fever or systemic symptoms
- 2 Amoxicillin may be commenced prior to treatment in some instances
- 3 Codalgin Forte & Mersyndol Forte can cause drowsiness so Do Not Drive warning should be provided.
- 4 Paracetamol or Aspirin can promote thinning of the blood so should not be prescribed until surgery plan is completed.