



ADULT




TINIDAZOLE

This document should be read in conjunction with this [DISCLAIMER](#)

[Antimicrobial Restriction – Unrestricted](#)

Presentation	Tablet: 500mg
Dose	<p><u>Protozoal infections (e.g. Giardiasis, trichomoniasis)</u></p> <p>Oral:</p> <p>2g as a single dose. Give divided doses in pregnancy. Treat sexual partners in trichomoniasis.</p> <p><u>Bacterial vaginosis</u></p> <p>Oral:</p> <p>1 g once daily for 5 days (preferred dose in pregnancy) or 2 g once daily for 2 days</p>
Administration	<p>Take with food to reduce stomach upset.</p> <p>Avoid alcohol during treatment and for 72 hours after finishing the course to prevent nausea, vomiting, flushing, headache and palpitations.</p>
Pregnancy	<p>1st Trimester: Consider alternative.</p> <p>2nd Trimester: Consider alternative.</p> <p>3rd Trimester: Consider alternative.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Maternal use not associated with increased risk of congenital malformations or adverse pregnancy outcomes. Mutagenic effects seen in bacteria have not been seen in animal or human studies. Metronidazole is preferred where both recommended.</p> </div>
Breastfeeding	Consider alternative such as metronidazole
Monitoring	Monitor blood count and neurotoxic reactions when treating for >10 days
Clinical guidelines and Policies	<p>Antibiotic treatment for vaginal infections</p> <p>Sexually transmitted infections (STI)</p>

References	<p>Australian Medicines Handbook. Tinidazole. In: Australian Medicines Handbook [Internet]. Adelaide (South Australia): Australian Medicines Handbook; 2017 [cited 2017 Dec 27]. Available from: https://amhonline.amh.net.au/</p> <p>The Royal Women's Hospital. Tinidazole. In: Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Medicines Guide [Internet]. Parkville (Victoria): The Royal Women's Hospital; 2016 [cited 2017 Dec 27]. Available from: https://thewomenspbmg.org.au/</p> <p>Tinidazole In: Australian Pharmaceutical Formulary and Handbook. Sansom L, Cosh D, et.al. 22nd ed. Canberra: Pharmaceutical Society of Australia; 2012. p. 420.</p>
-------------------	---

Keywords:	Tinidazole, bacterial vaginosis, nitroimidazole, protozoal infection, giardiasis, trichomoniasis, amoebiasis, anaerobe		
Publishing:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intranet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internet	
Document owner:	Chief Pharmacist		
Author / Reviewer:	KEMH Pharmacy Department		
Date first issued:	March 2015	Version:	3.0
Last reviewed:	Dec 2017	Next review date:	Dec 2020
Endorsed by:	Medicines and Therapeutics Committee	Date:	Jan 2018
Standards Applicable:	NSQHS Standards: 1  Clinical Care is Guided by Current Best Practice 3  Infection Control 4  Medication Safety		
Printed or personally saved electronic copies of this document are considered uncontrolled. Access the current version from the WNHS website.			

© Department of Health Western Australia 2017