

Choices

MEDICATION: AZITHROMYCIN 1 gram

DIRECTIONS: Take 1 gm AZITHROMYCIN one time. May be dispensed as 4 tablets, 250mg each.

ABOUT YOUR MEDICINE

AZITHROMYCIN (az-ith-roe-MYE-sin)

This medicine is a macrolide antibiotic used to treat bacterial infections.

PROPER USE OF THIS MEDICINE

Follow the directions for using this medicine provided by your doctor. This medicine may be taken on an empty stomach or with food. DO NOT TAKE THIS MEDICINE within 1 hour before or 2 hours after aluminum- or magnesium- containing antacids. STORE THIS MEDICINE at room temperature, away from heat and light. TO CLEAR UP YOUR INFECTION COMPLETELY, continue taking this medicine for the full course of treatment even if you feel better in a few days.

PRECAUTIONS WHILE USING THIS MEDICINE

If your symptoms do not improve within a few days or if they become worse, check with your doctor. IF MODERATE TO SEVERE DIARRHEA OCCURS during or after treatment with this medicine, check with your doctor or pharmacist. Do not treat it with non-prescription (over-the-counter) medicines. IF YOU EXPERIENCE difficulty breathing: tightness of your chest; swelling of eyelids, face, or lips; or if you develop a rash or hives, tell your doctor immediately. Do not take any more doses of this medicine unless your doctor tells you to do so.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN TAKING ANY NEW MEDICINE, either prescription or over-the-counter, check with your doctor or pharmacist. **FOR WOMEN TAKING BIRTH CONTROL PILLS:** this medicine may decrease the effectiveness of your birth control pill. To prevent pregnancy, you may want to use an additional form of birth control. IT IS UNKNOWN IF THIS DRUG IS EXCRETED in breast milk. IF YOU ARE OR WILL BE BREAST-FEEDING while you are using this medicine, check with your doctor or pharmacist to discuss the risks to your baby.

POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS OF THIS MEDICINE

SIDE EFFECTS that may go away during treatment include mild diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, or abdominal pain. IF they continue or are bothersome, check with your doctor. CHECK WITH YOUR DOCTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you experience hearing loss or ringing in the ears. If you notice other effects not listed above, contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.



Azithromycin Instructions

In the event of a positive result for **Chlamydia**, you will be prescribed the following medication. It is important that you read the information below so that you and your partner are educated about this medication, side effects, interactions, and allergy information.

Medication: Azithromycin 1 gram, 4 tablets (250 mg each) by mouth all at once.

- Take all medication to prevent continued or resistant infection.
- Have your sex partner(s) evaluated and/or treated to prevent re-infection.
- Abstain from sex for at least 7 days after you and your partner have been treated.
- Advise partner that (s)he may experience side effects such as nausea, vomiting, cramps, diarrhea or headache.
- Please call us at 602-368-4922 if you vomit within 4 hours of taking the medication.
- If your test is positive, it is recommended you be re-tested in 3 months.

Additional Instructions: Follow up with PCP, Urgent care or ER if:

1. Symptoms persist, worsen or re-appear within three weeks of treatment
2. Client develops oral temperature ≥ 101 degree F
3. Abdominal / pelvic pain develops
4. Testicular pain develops

Any possible diagnosis discussed is preliminary until confirmed by test results.

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IF YOUR SYMPTOMS BECOME WORSE, PLEASE SEEK EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE IMMEDIATELY.**