

## Ceftriaxone (Rocephin) Instructions

In the event of a positive result for **Gonorrhea**, 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: CEFTRIAXONE 500 mg IM (or ceftriaxone 1gm IM, if patient weighs over 330 lbs.).

You were given CEFTRIAXONE injection.

- Have your sex partner(s) evaluated and/or treated to prevent re-infection.
- Abstain from sex for at least 7 days <u>after</u> you and your partner have been treated.
- Please call us at \_\_\_\_\_\_ if you have any further questions.
- Call 911 if you experience difficulty breathing, swelling of the face, throat or tongue after leaving our clinic.
- 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
- Client develops oral temperature >or= 101 degree F
- 3. Abdominal / pelvic pain develops
- 4. Testicular pain develops

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

CHOICES STD CLINIC DOES NOT PROVIDE GENERAL MEDICAL CARE OR EMERGENCY SERVICES. IF YOUR SYMPTOMS BECOME WORSE, PLEASE SEEK EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE IMMEDIATELY. Any possible diagnosis discussed is preliminary until confirmed by test results.



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If you notice other effects not listed above contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

## **ABOUT YOUR MEDICINE:**

CEFTRIAXONE (sef-try-AX-one)
This medicine is a cephalosporin antibiotic used to treat bacterial infections.

#### PRECAUTIONS WHILE USING THIS MEDICINE:

A severe reaction includes a severe rash, hives, breathing difficulties, or dizziness. If you have a question about whether you are allergic to this medicine or if a certain medicine is a cephalosporin, contact your doctor or pharmacist. 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 OR TIGHTNESS OF CHEST, SWELLING OF EYELIDS, FACE, OR LIPS, OR DEVELOP A RASH OR HIVES, SEEK IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL ATTENTION.

#### POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS OF THIS MEDICINE:

SIDE EFFECTS that may go away during treatment include nausea, vomiting, or mild diarrhea. If they continue or are bothersome, check with your doctor. CHECK WITH YOUR DOCTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you experience skin rash or itching; pain, swelling, or redness at the injection site; severe diarrhea; vaginal irritation or discharge.

CONTACT YOUR PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN OR THE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM if you experience seizures or yellowing eyes and skin.