	ARACYICULIBL
Active ingredients (generic names)	AMOXICILLIN (am-ox-i-sil-in)
	AMPICILLIN (am-pi-sil-in)
	BENZATHINE BENZYLPENICILLIN
	(benz-a-thine benz-el-pen-i-sil-in gee)
	BENZYLPENICILLIN (benz-el-pen-i-sil-in)
	DICLOXACILLIN (di-clox-a-sil-in)
	FLUCLOXACILLIN (flu-clox-a-sil-in)
	PHENOXYMETHYLPENICILLIN (fen-oxi-methal-pen-i-sil-in)
	PROCAINE BENZYLPENICILLIN (procaine
	penicillin) (pro-cane benz-el-pen-i-sil-in)
	AMOXICILLIN + CLAVULANIC ACID
	(am-ox-i-sil-in klav-u-lan-ic a-sid)
	Other penicillin combinations
	Not included in this monograph — see <i>AMH</i> for information:
	• Piperacillin + tazobactam (eg <i>PiperTaz, Piptaz, Tazocin EF</i> )
What it is used for	Different types of bacterial infections
How it works	
	Kills bacteria sensitive to penicillin — stops cell wall from growing
	Different germs need different antibiotics. If not sure
	which one to use — check with doctor
	Pain at injection site with benzathine benzylpenicillin
Side effects	
	Diarrhoea Nausea Rash Anaphylaxis — severe allergic
	reaction



- About 1 in 10 people are allergic to penicillin
  - ► Consider allergy if rash
- Anaphylaxis is rare but consider if trouble breathing





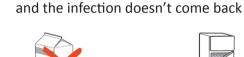
Rash

Kidney trouble

 Rheumatic fever needs regular long-term treatment with benzathine benzylpenicillin to prevent heart damage or stop it getting worse. Doctor will tell you when you can stop
 Take all the medicine — makes sure all the germs are gone

## Tell the patient







Take on empty stomach (dicloxacillin, flucloxacillin, phenoxymethylpenicillin)



Store in fridge (not freezer). If any medicine left after 2 weeks — return it to the clinic



Finish medicine
— even if you feel
better

Warning stickers (page 310): Medicine mixtures 6, 7a Dicloxacillin, flucloxacillin, phenoxymethylpenicillin 3a or 3b Amoxicillin + clavulanic acid 13, F

- Must have anaphylaxis kit with adrenaline (epinephrine) ready when giving penicillin by injection
- Follow-up when antibiotic treatment finished to make sure infection is gone. If not — medical consult

## Check



Making mixture
Make sure right
amount of clean water
added to dry powder



Blood test if using for more than 10 days at a high dose — kidney function (UEC), liver function tests (LFT), FBC