



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, U. S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY
1585 THIRD STREET
FORT POLK, LOUISIANA 71459-5110

December 1, 2009

Chief, Department of Pharmacy

Dear Patient and Provider:

In accordance with Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (P&TC) recommendations, the following **Augmentin oral suspension formulary changes** will be immediately implemented at the BJACH Pharmacy:

1. Augmentin 400mg/5ml suspension is **removed** from the formulary.
2. Augmentin ES 600mg/5ml suspension (approved for use in children over 3 months of age at dosages up to 90mg/kg/day) **remains on formulary**.
3. Augmentin 125mg/5ml (approved for all ages at dosages up to 30mg/kg/day) **remains on formulary**.

When Augmentin oral suspension is indicated for a child less than 3 months of age, the P&TC recommends that that an appropriate dose (up to 30mg/kg/day, divided every 12 hours) of Augmentin 125mg/5ml suspension be prescribed.

When Augmentin oral suspension is indicated for a child 3 months of age and older, the P&TC recommends that that an appropriate dose (up to 90mg/kg/day, divided every 12 hours) of Augmentin ES 600mg/5ml suspension be prescribed.

Oral liquid antibiotics for pediatric use on the BJACH formulary:

Amoxicillin 125, 250, 400mg/5ml	Clindamycin 75mg/5ml
Augmentin 125mg/5ml; ES 600mg/5ml	Erythromycin EES 200mg/5ml
Azithromycin 100, 200mg/5ml	Penicillin-VK 250mg/5ml
Cefpodoxime 50, 100mg/5ml	Pediazole 200/600mg/5ml
Cefprozil 125, 250mg/5ml	Septra/Bactrim 200/40mg/5ml
Cephalexin 125, 250mg/5ml	

If you have any questions about this change, please ask to speak with a pharmacist, call the pharmacy at (337) 531-8090 or (337) 531-3234.

Sincerely,

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