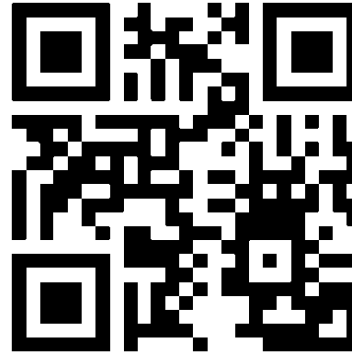


Storage:

1. Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.
2. Keep bottle tightly closed at all times.
3. Store in the original container.
4. Store powder in a dry place at room temperature (below 25°C) or as indicated on the label.
5. Store reconstituted oral suspension under refrigeration (2°C to 8°C) or as indicated on the label. Do not freeze.
6. Do not use powder after the expiry date indicated on the label.
7. Once reconstituted, the oral suspension is stable for duration indicated on product label. Discard any remaining prepared antibiotic suspension after the completion of the antibiotic course or by the expiry date after reconstitution.



For more information, please refer to the product information or consult your pharmacist.

To watch the video on antibiotic suspension reconstitution, please visit <https://youtu.be/q9hDbKNT4B0> or scan the following QR code.

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How to Prepare, Administer and Store Oral Liquid Antibiotics?



General info:

1. Oral liquid antibiotics may come in powdered form because of its instability in liquid form for extended duration. Reconstitution is the process of adding a diluent to a powdered medication, to prepare a solution or suspension, before administration.
2. Different antibiotics vary in their preparation, administration and storage.
3. Do refer to your antibiotic's patient information leaflet or pharmacist for more specific information.

Preparation:

1. Remove the bottle of dry powder antibiotic from its packaging.
2. Check cap seal is intact before using.
3. Shake the bottle to loosen the dry powder.
4. Open the cap of the bottle
5. Fill the bottle with boiled and cooled water. Do not use any other liquid to mix with the dry powder antibiotic.



6. For antibiotic bottles with markings, fill the bottle with water until halfway below the marking indicated on the bottle.



7. For antibiotic bottles without markings, fill the bottle with the volume of water as indicated on the information leaflet.
8. Put the cap back, invert and shake the bottle well. Ensure that there are no lumps in the mixture.
9. Top up the remaining amount of water to the marking of the bottle or as suggested. Put the cap back, invert and shake the bottle well to obtain uniform suspension.
10. Inspect the bottle to make sure all the powder has been mixed before using.



Administration:

1. Shake the prepared suspension well before administering.
2. To make sure you are giving the right dose, use the measuring tool that comes with your antibiotic, such as an oral syringe, measuring spoon or a marked measuring cup.



3. Do not use a kitchen teaspoon or tablespoon to measure the antibiotic as they are not accurate.
4. Do note down the preparation and discard date of the antibiotic suspension and always remember to complete the course of the antibiotic as stated.

