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AZITHROMYCIN

Azithromycin is an antibiotic taken by mouth for the treatment of certain sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

Allergies

 Tell your health care provider if you have an allergy to any macrolide antibiotic such as azithromycin, erythromycin, or clarithromycin.

Pregnancy and Breast/Chest Feeding

 Azithromycin may be used with caution during pregnancy and chest/breastfeeding. Please consult your healthcare provider.

CAUTION

- Do not take antacids or products containing aluminum and/or magnesium at the same time as azithromycin. Space them at least two hours apart.
- Notify your healthcare provider if you have liver disease, kidney disease, and/or any pre-existing heart conditions, arrhythmia or electrolyte disturbances (eg. bradycardia, QT prolongation, hypokalemia, hypomagnesaemia)
- Drug Interactions: Please note that individual drug interactions are no longer listed in this document.
- If you are taking any prescription, non-prescription, herbal, or recreational products, please discuss with your healthcare provider.

Side Effects

You may experience diarrhea, nausea, abdominal pain, vomiting, headache, and dizziness.

Instructions for Taking

- Azithromycin may be taken with or without food.
- Follow dosage instructions from your healthcare provider.

Storage Instructions

- Store at room temperature between 15°C and 30°C.
- Protect from light, heat, and moisture.
- Do not use medications beyond the printed expiry date.
- Keep away from the reach of children.

Special Instructions

- Do not have sex until:
 - One week after you have started your treatment, or as advised by your healthcare provider,
 AND
 - One week after any ongoing partners have started their treatment, even if their test results are negative.
- You will need retreatment if you have sex with an untreated partner, or if you have sex before either you or your partner's treatment is complete. Please discuss with your healthcare provider.

If you have any questions or need further information, please visit http://www.smartsexresource.com or contact your healthcare provider.