



Patient Group Direction for the Supply of Triamcinolone Acetonide and Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort), to aural toilet patients receiving treatment from NHS Borders

This document authorises the supply or administration of Triamcinolone Acetonide and Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort) by registered nurses to aural toilet patients who meet the criteria for inclusion under the terms of the document

The registered nurse seeking to supply Triamcinolone Acetonide and Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort) must ensure that all clients have been screened and meet the criteria before supply takes place

The purpose of this Patient Group Direction is to allow management of chronic otitis externa in NHS Borders by registered nurses

This direction was authorised on: January 2011

The direction will be reviewed by: January 2013

Clinician Responsible for Training and Review: ENT Consultants

PGD Reviewed by: Dorothy McKie and ENT Consultants



Patient Group Direction for administration of Triamcinolone Acetonide and Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort) without a prescription for a named individual by registered nurses employed by NHS Borders

1. This Patient Group Direction relates to the following specific preparation:

Name of medicine, Strength, Formulation	Triamcinolone Acetonide and Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort)
Legal status	POM
Storage	Below 30°C in locked medicine cupboard in ENT room in Out Patients Department
Dose	Small quantity ¼ - ½ ml
Route/method	Inserted in auditory canal with Exmoor syringe
Frequency	Insert once and review after 2-3 weeks.
Total dose Quantity (Maximum/Minimum)	½ ml stat dose
Advice to Patients	Expect slight blockage of ear canal Do not wear hearing aid Keep canal dry
Relevant Warnings	Stains clothes
Follow up Arrangements	Review appointment 2 weeks

2. Clinical condition

Clinical Condition to be treated	Purulent infection with oedema
Criteria for inclusion	Patients with auditory canal or mastoid infections which are at the time "chronic"
Criteria for exclusion	Chronic dry eczemas otitis externa Pregnancy or breast feeding Children < 16 years Diabetic patients Long term > 14 days
Action if excluded	Refer to consultant

Action if declines	Include in report in nursing notes Refer to consultant
Interactions with other medicaments and other forms of interaction	N/A

3. Documentation/Record keeping.

a) The following records should be kept (either paper or computer based)-

The GP practice, clinic, hospital, and ward or department

The patient name and CHI number

The medicine name, dose, route, time of dose(s), and where appropriate, start date, number of doses and or period of time, for which the medicine is to be supplied or administered

Drug batch number and expiry

The signature and printed name of the healthcare professional who supplied or administered the medicine

The patient group direction title and/or number

Whether patient met the inclusion criteria and whether the exclusion criteria were assessed

Quantity supplied/received and current stock balance

b) Preparation, audit trail, data collection and reconciliation-

Stock balances should be reconcilable with Receipts, Administration, Records and Disposals on a patient by patient basis.

c) Storage- below 30°C in locked medicine cupboard in ENT room in Out Patients Department

4. Professional Responsibility.

- ❖ All Health Professionals will ensure he/she has the relevant training and is competent in all aspects of medication, including contra-indications and the recognition and treatment of adverse effects.
- ❖ He/she will attend training updates as appropriate.
- ❖ For those involved in immunization, regular anaphylaxis updates are mandatory.
- ❖ Nurses will have due regard for the NMC Code of Professional Conduct, standards for conduct, performance and ethics (2008) and NMC Standards for Medicines Management (2008)
- ❖ ENT training
- ❖ Knowledge and skill of microscopic aural toilet

5. Sources of Evidence used for the PGD creation should be stated.

- ❖ British National Formulary (BNF) current edition
<http://bnf.org/bnf/index.htm>
- ❖ Borders Joint Formulary (BJF)
http://intranet/new_intranet/microsites/index.asp?siteid=65&uid=1
- ❖ Goldshield Pharmaceuticals (2010) Aureocort Ointment Patient information leaflet.
<http://www.goldshield-pharmaceuticals.com/csp/gsh/pharma/pdf/pil/4/14.pdf>

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Chlortetracycline Ointment (Aureocort) by registered nurses employed by
NHS Borders**

This Patient Group Direction is approved for use by the under-signed :

Job Title	Name	Signed	Date
Senior Doctor/Dentist for relevant clinical area	Ross Cameron		8/4/11
NHS Borders Chief Pharmacist	Alison Wilson		19/4/11
NHS Borders Senior Health Professional for Clinical Area	Sheena Wright		18/4/11

PGD AUTHORISED ON 20/4/11

Signed by ADTC CHAIRPERSON: 

Name: JONAS HAMMOND

The Health Professionals named below, being employees of NHS Borders
based at Borders General Hospital out patients Department ENT Clinic are
authorised to provide and/or administer this medication under this Patient
Group Direction and agree to provide and/or administer this medication in
accordance with this Patient Group Direction

Name of Health Professional	Job Title	Signed	Date

