

Penicillin (Ampicillin/Amoxicillin)

What is it?

This medication is used to treat bacterial infections.

Inform your provider if:

- You have ever had an allergic reaction to penicillin.
- If you have mono, kidney disease, or stomach disease (like colitis).

Use:

- Take this medication orally (by mouth).
- Take this medication with a full glass of water on an empty stomach (1 hour before or 2 hours after a meal).
- Continue to take this medication as prescribed, even if you start to feel better.
- Do not miss any doses of this medication. If you do miss a dose, take it as soon as possible. Do not double dose.
- Call the office if your symptoms do not improve or if you get worse.
- Diabetics: Penicillin may cause false test results with some urine sugar tests. Check with your doctor before changing your diet or dosage of your diabetes medicine.

Side effects:

- Sore mouth or tongue
- Diarrhea (mild)
- Nausea
- Vomiting

Call the office immediately if you experience:

- Hives
- Itching
- Severe stomach pain
- Blood in the urine
- Decreased amount of urine
- Sore throat
- Watery, bloody, or severe diarrhea
- Wheezing or trouble breathing
- Skin rash
- Bloating
- Seizures
- Fever
- Joint pain
- Bruises or unusual bleeding
- Yeast infection

Things to remember with any medication:

- Keep medications away from children.
- Store medications in a cool, dark, dry environment.
- Throw away medicine that is outdated.
- Take medicine as prescribed.