## ANTIBIOTIC PROPHYLAXIS-TRAUMA AND ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

## **Trauma Orthopaedics**

Procedure	Recommendation	Alternative for serious penicillin
		allergy or MRSA carrier
Open fracture or penetrating	Cefuroxime 1.5g IV at 8 hour	Teicoplanin 800mg IV loading dose
injury into joint cavity	intervals until wound closed or	(600mg if ≤60 kg) and then follow
	covered. <u>(*)</u>	the standard protocol until wound
		closed or covered. (*)
	If contused and dirty trauma	If contused and dirty trauma
	Add Gentamicin 5mg/kg IV. If	Add Gentamicin 5mg/kg IV. If
	patient obese- use ideal body	patient obese- use ideal body
	weight for dose calculation. Patient	weight for dose calculation. Patient
	specific dose to be calculated using	specific dose to be calculated using
	the NHS Lothian intranet gentamicin calculator.	the NHS Lothian intranet gentamicin calculator.
	Plus metronidazole 500mg IV every	Plus metronidazole 500mg IV every
	8 hours. Switch to oral formulation	8 hours. Switch to oral formulation
	400mg every 8 hours once patient	400mg every 8 hours once patient
	transferred to the ward and oral	transferred to the ward and oral
	route available. <u>(*)</u>	route available. <u>(*)</u>
	Metronidazole has excellent oral	Metronidazole has excellent oral
	bioavailability.	bioavailability.
	(*)Regimen needs to be reviewed daily and if antimicrobial cover is	(*)Regimen needs to be reviewed daily and if antimicrobial cover is
	needed for longer than 3-5 days- follow the culture results and amend the regimen accordingly.	needed for longer than 3-5 days- follow the culture results and amend the regimen accordingly.
Open surgery for closed	Cefuroxime 1.5g IV one dose only	Teicoplanin 800mg IV <b>one dose</b>
fracture where foreign		only
material is implanted		(600mg if ≤60 kg)

Hip fracture	Cefuroxime 1.5g IV one dose only	Teicoplanin 800mg IV one dose
If the fracture is involving the site with prosthetic joint replacement in situ- please follow prophylaxis guidelines as for arthroplasty.		only (600mg if ≤60 kg)

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