



Central Michigan District Health Department
“Promoting Healthy Families, Healthy Communities”

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Cefpodoxime

Cefpodoxime is an antibiotic used to treat many common infections including uncomplicated gonorrhea, urinary tract infections, bronchitis, and ear, skin or throat infections. Cefpodoxime will not work for colds, flu or other viral infections.

Cefpodoxime should NOT be used if:

- You are pregnant or breastfeeding
- You have had an allergic reaction to Cefpodoxime previously
- You are allergic to cephalosporin antibiotics; Duricef, Keflex, penicillin, etc.
- Tell your health care provider if you are taking any other prescription medications; antacids, oral anticholinergics, diuretics, Probenecid, Tagemaet, Zantec, Pepcid, or Axid.
- Tell you health care provider if you have kidney or liver disease, colitis, or stomach problems.

Some side effects of Cefpodoxime include:

- Hypersensitivity (mild skin rash)
- Nausea, upset stomach
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Abdominal pain
- Headache

Call the clinic or your physician immediately if you experience any of these symptoms:

- Severe skin rash
- Itching
- Hives
- Difficulty breathing or swallowing
- Wheezing
- Unusual bleeding or bruising
- Sore throat
- Painful mouth or throat sores
- Vaginal infection

Directions for the use of this medication:

- Take all the medication given to you at one time.
- Take a full 8 ounce glass of water with the medication.
- Take tablets with food.

Special Instructions:

- Birth control pill users should use a back up method, condoms, while using Cefpodoxime and for 1 week after treatment is completed.