



DAPTOMYCIN MADE SIMPLE

A PATIENT GUIDE TO IV ANTIBIOTIC THERAPY

Daptomycin is an intravenous antibiotic for certain serious Gram-positive infections. Success depends on completing the exact course, keeping laboratory appointments, and reporting muscle or breathing symptoms early.

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FOLLOW THE IV SCHEDULE

Receive each dose on the ordered days and times. Kidney function may change the interval.

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COMPLETE THE COURSE

Do not stop because you feel better unless the infectious-disease team changes the plan.

3

KEEP WEEKLY LABS

Creatine phosphokinase (CPK), kidney function, and other labs are needed during therapy.

4

REPORT MUSCLE SYMPTOMS

New muscle pain, tenderness, cramps, or weakness can signal muscle injury.

5

WATCH YOUR LUNGS

New fever, cough, chest pain, or shortness of breath after starting therapy needs urgent review.

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CHECK STATINS

Cholesterol medicines such as atorvastatin or rosuvastatin may require a temporary plan and closer monitoring.

MY IV TREATMENT PLAN

My dose: _____

My dosing days/time: _____

Planned final dose date: _____

Next CPK / kidney labs: _____

Infusion provider: _____

Infectious-disease clinic: _____

CALL THE TEAM NOW

- Muscle pain or weakness
- Dark or cola-colored urine
- New numbness or tingling
- Worsening diarrhea

GET URGENT HELP

- New shortness of breath or low oxygen
- Severe allergic reaction
- Line redness with fever or shaking chills

IMPORTANT IV-ANTIBIOTIC REMINDERS

Daptomycin does not treat pneumonia

It is inactivated by lung surfactant and should not be presented as a treatment for ordinary pneumonia.

Protect the IV line

Keep the dressing clean and dry. Report redness, drainage, swelling, pain, leaking, or difficulty flushing.

Eosinophilic pneumonia can appear after treatment begins

Fever, new cough, breathlessness, or low oxygen - often after 2 to 4 weeks - requires immediate evaluation.

Do not skip monitoring

More frequent CPK or kidney tests may be needed with kidney impairment, muscle symptoms, or concurrent statin therapy.



MY DAPTOMYCIN IV GUIDE

SIMPLIFIED REFRIGERATOR REFERENCE

MY INFUSION PLAN

My name: _____

Dose / interval: _____

Infusion time: _____

Final planned dose: _____

Next lab date: _____

THE THREE RULES

- Do not miss doses or stop early
- Keep every CPK and kidney test
- Report muscle or breathing symptoms quickly

DAILY IV-LINE CHECK

- Dressing is clean, dry, and secure
- No redness, swelling, drainage, leaking, or new pain
- No fever, shaking chills, or sudden illness during infusion
- Supplies and doses are stored exactly as instructed by the infusion provider

CALL THE INFUSION TEAM

- Muscle pain, cramps, or weakness
- Dark urine
- New numbness or tingling
- Persistent or severe diarrhea
- IV-line redness, pain, or drainage

CALL 911 / GET URGENT HELP

- New severe shortness of breath
- Face or throat swelling
- Chest pain or fainting
- Confusion with fever or shaking chills
- Rapidly worsening weakness

MEDICINE REVIEW

- Tell Fairview and the infusion team about statins, supplements, and every new prescription.
- Do not restart a held cholesterol medicine until the prescriber confirms the plan.
- If a dose is delayed or missed, call the infusion team rather than changing the schedule yourself.