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Chief, Department of Pharmacy

Dear Prescriber:

In accordance with Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (PTC) recommendations, Augmentin 400mg/5ml suspension is **removed** from the BJACH formulary.

- 1. Augmentin ES 600mg/5ml suspension (approved for use in children over 3 months of age at dosages up to 90mg/kg/day) **remains on formulary.**
- 2. Augmentin 125mg/5ml (approved for all ages at dosages up to 30mg/kg/day) remains on formulary.

When indicated for a child less than 3 months of age, the PTC recommends an appropriate dose (up to 30mg/kg/day, divided Q 12 hrs) of Augmentin 125mg/5ml suspension be prescribed.

When indicated for a child 3 months of age and older, the PTC recommends an appropriate dose (up to 90mg/kg/day, divided Q 12 hrs) of Augmentin ES 600mg/5ml susp be prescribed.

Oral liquid antibiotics for pediatric use on the open BJACH formulary:

Amoxicillin 125, 250, 400mg/5ml

Augmentin 125mg/5ml; ES 600mg/5ml

Azithromycin 100, 200mg/5ml

Cefdinir (Omnicef) 125, 250mg/5ml

Cefpodoxime (Vantin) 50, 100mg/5ml

Cefprozil (Cefzil) 125, 250mg/5ml

Cephalexin (Keflex) 125, 250mg/5ml

Clindamycin 75mg/5ml

Erythromycin EES 200mg/5ml

Nitrofurantoin 25mg/5ml

Penicillin-VK 250mg/5ml

Pediazole 200/600mg/5ml

Septra/Bactrim 200/40mg/5ml

If you have any questions about this information, please ask to speak with a pharmacist, call the pharmacy at (337) 531-8090 or (337) 531-3234.

Sincerely,

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