ANTIBIOTIC MEDICATIONS (REFERENCE)



CIPROFLOXACIN

Used by Combat Medics (CM)

Fluoroquinolone antibiotic

Recommended for all open combat wounds if able to take PO meds and Moxifloxacin unavailable.

DOSAGE(S):

500 mg every 12 hours

ROUTE(S):

PO

CONTRA-INDICATIONS:

Known hypersensitivity

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

Nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain, dizziness, insomnia, somnolence, dyspepsia, fever, dyspnea, rash, abnormal transaminases, headache, arthralgia, muscle weakness, hypersensitivity reactions, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis, erythema nodosum, blurred vision, tinnitus, bad taste

DRUG
INTERACTIONS:

BCG vaccine (live), buprenorphine, cholera vaccine, clarithromycin, clomipramine, clozapine, desflurane, hydroxychloroquine, imipramine, iron sucrose, isoflurane, mefloquine, olanzapine, theophylline, tizanidine, tretinoin

ONSET/PEAK/DURATION: 30 min-1 hr/2 hr/12 hr

<u>TACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>: Minimal to no mission impact unless CNS side effects observed. Monitor for CNS side effects including dizziness, seizures, hallucinations, agitation, paranoia, and suicidal ideations; discontinue use if encountered. Minimize caffeine intake due to interference with ciprofloxacin. Administer 2 hours before or 6 hours after substantial calcium intake due to decreased absorption.