

Nystatin Flowchart

Patient presents in the pharmacy with symptoms of oral thrush, or is referred via CPCS

You must contact patient representative within 2-3 hrs of referral; consultation can be provided over the phone, F2F or virtually. Register the patient if not already registered. Does the representative consent to the sharing of patient's details with their GP and for the details to be viewed by other pharmacies across the city?

No

Patient not suitable for the service. Treat under Care at the Chemist, give appropriate self-care advice or refer to another healthcare setting where appropriate. Record decision, supply the carer with a referral note indicating the reasons for the referral.

Yes

Does the patient meet the inclusion criteria, are between 1 month and 2 years old and have not had oral thrush in the previous 8 weeks?

No

Yes

Does the patient have any red flag symptoms/ meet any of the exclusion criteria?

Yes

Patient **MUST** be referred to alternative healthcare setting. If the patient has been referred via CPCS, the pharmacy **MUST** arrange the referral/ appointment. Record decision, advice given and action taken.

Refer to ESCALATION PATHWAY.

No

Is patient suitable for treatment with Nystatin? Check SPC for interactions/ contraindications etc.

No

Yes

Supply: Nystatin oral suspension 100,000 units in 1ml (generic) 1 x 30ml bottle

Dose and frequency: Give 100,000 units (1ml) of suspension into the mouth four times a day usually for 7 days and continued for 48 hours after lesions have resolved. Dose to be given after feeds.

A second bottle can be supplied if the episode continues beyond 7 days. Maximum treatment period 10 days.

Give verbal advice as per PGD:

- Side effects
- Safety netting
- Hygiene requirements
- Correct administration technique
- The suspension should be given after feeds
- The longer the suspension is kept in contact with the affected area in the mouth before swallowing the greater the effect.
- Discard after completing treatment
- Contact GP if symptoms persist beyond 10 days, or recurs

Ensure supply is entered on PMR. Record batch number and expiry date.

The label must contain the appropriate directions along with the words "supplied under a PGD".

Ensure GP notification of supply is sent electronically via PharmOutcomes.

Remember to complete CPCS referral if patient was referred via that route.

Exit service