

# POSTPARTUM ENDOMETRITIS V3.0

## Comments from the Expert Advisory Group

- Think sepsis for all patients who have recently delivered a baby who feel unwell or have pyrexia or hypothermia with uterine tenderness. If there are signs of sepsis refer to hospital urgently.
- Where postpartum endometritis is suspected, consider referral for admission.
- Postpartum endometritis can occur concomitantly with C-Section wound infection.
- For non-pregnancy-related acute endometritis see Pelvic Inflammatory Disease

## Treatment

POSTPARTUM ENDOMETRITIS EMPIRIC ANTIBIOTIC TREATMENT TABLE			
Drug	Dose	Duration	Notes
<b>1st choice option</b>			
Co-amoxiclav	625 mg every 8 hours	10 days	Avoid in penicillin allergy
<b>2nd choice option / Penicillin Allergy</b>			
Clindamycin	300 mg – 450 mg every 6 hours	10 days	Caution: Risk of <i>C. diff</i>

## Patient Information

- An information sheet on '*Antibiotics and breastfeeding*' is available from the [Breastfeeding Network UK](#)
- Further information on Antibiotics and Breast-feeding can be found on the [Mother to Baby website](#) (USA) (Search or Use Browse by Medications category).
- [HSE My Child](#) is a useful resource for breastfeeding support and general guidance)