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Updating arrangements for the formulary should be decided upon and implemented at a local level.

Miconazole Gyno-daktarin®	
Legal status (GSL, P or POM on exemption list, or PGD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ POM - midwife may supply as medicine is on midwives exemptions list <p>Note other 2% creams are available which are P or GSL but they are not for vulval /vaginal application.</p>
Patient group	Women with vulval infection.
Clinical indication	Candidal vulvitis and super-infection of gram-positive organisms.
Pharmacology (Onset and duration of action where appropriate)	<p>An antifungal against common dermatophytes and yeasts and also has antibacterial activity against certain gram-positive bacilli and cocci.</p> <p>Inhibits the biosynthesis of ergosterol in fungi and changes the composition of other lipid components in the membrane, resulting in fungal cell necrosis.</p> <p>Symptoms such as pruritus respond rapidly.</p>
Pharmaceutical form, strength, route of administration	<p>Cream containing 2% miconazole in 15g, 40g and 78g tubes.</p> <p>For topical application.</p>
Dose, frequency and maximum number of doses or period of time for administration or supply	Apply twice a day for a minimum of one week and up to 2 weeks. May be repeated once without referral to a doctor. Supply 1 original pack.
Contra-indications/exclusion criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ known hypersensitivity to any component of the medicine or to other imidazole derivatives
Cautions and action that will be taken if a caution applies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ discontinue if local sensitisation or allergic reaction occurs ▪ contains benzoic acid and butylated hydroxyanisole which may cause local skin reactions (e.g. contact dermatitis), or irritation to the eyes and mucous membranes. ▪ check for and document any allergies ▪ check and document past medical and drug history and current medication to ascertain potential for overdose ▪ if a caution applies consult with a doctor ▪ document consultation in maternity record

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<p>Medicine interactions and action that will be taken if a patient is taking a medicine that may interact</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ product may cause damage to latex contraceptives potentially reducing their effectiveness - advise women to use alternative precautions for at least 5 days after using this product ▪ other interactions unlikely due to limited systemic absorption but caution when used with other medicines including: Warfarin, carbamazepine, phenytoin, oral hypoglycaemic agents, calcium channel blockers such as nifedipine and verapamil, simvastatin, lovastatin, cyclosporin and sirolimus ▪ if there is a clinically significant drug interaction, consult with a doctor before administration or supply ▪ document consultation in maternity record ▪ refer to current BNF for latest information on interactions
<p>Potential adverse reactions and side effects including actions to be taken if adverse drug reaction is suspected</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>occasional local irritation</i> ▪ <i>other reaction reported: pruritus, vaginal burning sensation, vulvovaginal discomfort, rash, urticaria, dysmenorrhoea, hypersensitivity reactions</i> ▪ <i>on labour</i> Nil ▪ <i>on the neonate</i> Nil ▪ <i>on breast feeding</i> Nil ▪ <i>if a serious adverse reaction is suspected please report to the MHRA Yellow Card Scheme. http://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk/</i>
<p>Overdose</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ no problem expected ▪ If clinical symptoms of dizziness, nausea or vomiting occur after accidental oral ingestion, routine measures such as gastric lavage are recommended. ▪ immediate assessment/treatment is essential - refer to medical staff ▪ manage in accordance with established treatment guidelines or see BNF overdose section ▪ for further advice contact National Poisons Centre 0344 892 0111
<p>Action if patient declines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ refer to authorised prescriber or doctor ▪ document in maternity record
<p>Additional advice and information</p>	<p>advise woman to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ wash gently morning and evening with warm water and dry thoroughly ▪ wipe backwards (away from the vagina) after going to the toilet to prevent infection ▪ avoid all medicated and perfumed bath additives, soaps, etc and wearing tight clothing ▪ advise to contact midwife/GP if condition worsens or symptoms persist ▪ give the manufacturer's patient information leaflet to the woman

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Patient monitoring arrangements during and after treatment and follow-up required	Women should be asked about symptoms and if they have resolved. Refer to doctor if requiring treatment and has already had two courses.
Particular storage requirements	-

References

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