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What is this medication used for:

Amoxicillin is regarded as having a fairly broad spectrum against many bacteria so it is used both on organisms known to be sensitive to it, and it is a good selection when the sensitivity of bacteria is unknown. It is especially helpful in anaerobic infections (those which grow without the benefit of oxygen). Typical uses might include: Infected bite wounds, Upper respiratory infections, Infected teeth, Bladder infections.

Side Effects:

Some individuals experience nausea, diarrhea, or appetite loss. These are generally mild, and giving the medication with food should reduce it. Serious side effects are unusual, but the following has been reported: fever, rashes, and bone marrow suppression.

Concerns and Cautions:

The oral suspension should be refrigerated, though if it is mistakenly left out of the refrigerator, this is not a problem. The oral suspension should be discarded after 2 weeks. If a dose is accidentally skipped, give the next dose when it is remembered and time the subsequent dose accordingly. Amoxicillin may be given with or without food.

Amoxicillin will cross the placenta in a pregnant patient but is felt to be safe for use during pregnancy. Amoxicillin is a time-dependent antibiotic, which means it must be given at specific intervals to maintain a therapeutic level. Amoxicillin is given two to three times daily, depending on the type of infection.