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Day Case Unit (Level 7)



Eye drops

information for parents, carers & relatives

Eye drops

Your child will be given eye drops or ointment to use at home for the next few weeks. Use these as advised by your consultant or pharmacist.

Maxitrol eye drops

Maxitrol is an anti-inflammatory eye drop that also contains antibiotics. It is used for the short term treatment of inflammation of the eye and to help prevent infection.

Chloramphenicol

Chloramphenicol is an antibiotic. It comes as eye drops or eye ointment and is used to treat bacterial eye infections.

PLEASE NOTE:

If both eyes have been operated on please use a separate bottle of eye drops/ointment for each eye. If more eye drops / ointment is needed please contact your GP for a prescription.

Sometimes treatment will continue for several weeks. Please use a fresh bottle of eye drops every month. When your course of treatment is finished, safely discard the bottle.

Don't allow anyone else to use the eye drops/ointment prescribed for your child.

Applying your eye drops

Wash your hands prior to administering eye drops

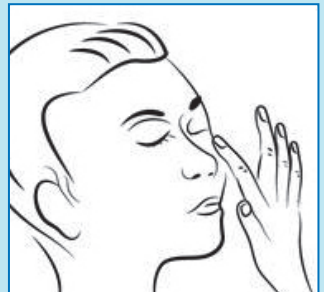
Ask your child to sit or lie down, raise their chin and ask them to look up at the ceiling. Gently pull the lower eye lid downwards.



With one hand, hold the eye drop bottle close to, but not touching, the eye and squeeze the prescribed amount into the eye(s).



Tell your child to keep their eye closed and make sure they don't rub their eye(s). Blot away any excess eye drop from around the eye with a clean tissue.





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Our aim is to provide information that will help you understand your child's injury and enable the appropriate after-care.

There are lots of useful injury leaflets to download at the Royal Alexandra website; use the QR code below or follow the link: bsuh.nhs.uk/alex/services/accident-and-emergency/



Useful numbers:

NHS 111 - 24hr advice line

Practice Plus (Brighton walk-in Centre) 0333 321 0946

Practice Plus GP – 0300 130 3333

8am/8pm - 7 days a week

This leaflet is intended for patients receiving care in Brighton & Hove or Haywards Heath



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