

# Being Treated with Ceftriaxone (Rocephin®)

## Your Medicine

You will get an injection of 250 mg of ceftriaxone.

## Is there anyone that can't take ceftriaxone?

Talk to a nurse or doctor **before** you get ceftriaxone if you've had an allergic reaction to penicillin or other cephalosporin medicines (e.g., Ancef®, Ceclor®, Keflex®, Ceftin®).

## What are the side effects of the medicine?

Possible side effects may include:

- diarrhea
- dizziness
- pain and tenderness where you get the injection

Go to an emergency department or call 9-1-1 if you have:

- trouble breathing or swallowing
- swelling or tingling in the mouth or on the face
- hives
- wheezing

## What follow-up do I need?

<input type="checkbox"/> Come back for another test	Date:
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular STI testing every 3 to 6 months	

## Things to Think About

The birth control pill, patch, and ring might not work as well when you take ceftriaxone. Keep using your regular method of birth control and use condoms for **7 days** after you get the injection to help prevent pregnancy.

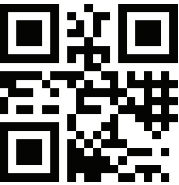
## Safer Sex

It's important not to have unprotected sex (oral, vaginal, or anal sex without a condom) until you and your partner(s) are tested and for 7 days after you and your partner(s) are treated.

The best protection is **not** to have sex (oral, vaginal, or anal) for 7 days after you and your partner(s) are treated. You can get re-infected if your sexual partner(s) hasn't been treated.

## For More Information

- STI/HIV Information Line: 1-800-772-2437
- [www.myhealth.alberta.ca](http://www.myhealth.alberta.ca)
- [www.sexgerms.com](http://www.sexgerms.com)



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