

1. NICE CKS, Eye Infections. Accessed November 2025. [bnf.nice.org.uk/treatment-summary/eye-infections.html](https://bnf.nice.org.uk/treatment-summary/eye-infections.html)

**ESSENTIAL INFORMATION: Optrex Infected Eye Drops:** Chloramphenicol 0.5% w/v (P). One drop instilled into the infected eye every 2 hours for the first 48 hours and 4 hourly thereafter. To be used during waking hours only. The course of treatment is 5 days. Treatment should continue for 5 days even if symptoms improve. **Indications:** Treatment of acute bacterial conjunctivitis. **MA Holder:** Optrex Limited, SL1 3UH. Information about this product, including adverse reactions, precautions, contraindications, and method of use can be found at: <https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/612/smpc>

**Optrex Bacterial Conjunctivitis 1% w/w/ Eye Ointment:** Chloramphenicol (1% w/w). Apply a small amount in the affected eye three to four times daily for five days. Suitable for night time use. **Indications:** For the treatment of acute bacterial conjunctivitis in adults and children aged 2 years and over. **Legal category:** P. **Product license holder:** Medicom Healthcare Ltd, 7-12 Tavistock Square, WC1H 9LT, UK. Information about this product, including adverse reactions, precautions, contraindications, and method of use can be found at: <https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/7299/smpc>. All adverse events should be reported. Reporting forms and information can be found at [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](https://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard).

Adverse events should also be reported to Reckitt Benckiser Healthcare (UK) Ltd on: 0333 200 5345.  
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