

Drug	Dosage	Form	Dose according to body weight				
			3–< 6 kg	6–< 10 kg	10–<15 kg	15–<20 kg	20–29 kg
<b>Co-trimoxazole</b> (trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole <i>(continued)</i> )		Oral: syrup (40 mg trimethoprim + 200 mg sulfamethoxazole per 5 ml)	2 ml	3.5 ml	6 ml	8.5 ml	—
<i>Note: For interstitial pneumonia in children with HIV, give 8 mg/kg trimethoprim and 40 mg/kg sulfamethoxazole three times a day for 21 days. For an infant &lt; 1 month, give co-trimoxazole (half paediatric tablet or 1.25 ml syrup) twice a day. Avoid co-trimoxazole in neonates who are premature or jaundiced.</i>							
<b>Deferoxamine</b> For iron poisoning	15 mg/kg per h IV to max of 80 mg/kg in 24 h, or IM: 50 mg/kg every 6 h. Maximum dose, 6 g/day	500-mg ampoule	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Dexamethasone</b> For severe viral croup	Oral: 0.6 mg/kg single dose	0.5-mg tablets					
		IM: 5 mg/ml	0.5 ml	0.9 ml	1.4 ml	2 ml	3 ml
For meningitis	IV: 0.15 mg/kg/dose every 6 h for the first 2–4 days						
<b>Diazepam</b> For convulsions	Rectal: 0.5 mg/kg IV: 0.2–0.3 mg/kg	10 mg/2 ml solution	0.4 ml 0.25 ml	0.75 ml 0.4 ml	1.2 ml 0.6 ml	1.7 ml 0.75 ml	2.5 ml 1.25 ml
For sedation before procedures	0.1–0.2 mg/kg IV						
<i>Give phenobarbital (20 mg/kg IV or IM) instead of diazepam to neonates. If convulsions continue, give 10 mg/kg IV or IM after 30 min. The maintenance dose of oral phenobarbital is 2.5–5 mg/kg.</i>							