

Drug	Dose	Duration	Notes
CRB 65 Score Zero (0) Suitable for home treatment			
Amoxicillin	500mg every 8 hours	5 days¥	Avoid in penicillin allergy. If no response after 48 hours, and on Amoxicillin monotherapy, consider addition of Clarithromycin or change to Doxycycline
OR Doxycycline	200mg every 24 hours*	5 days¥	Avoid in pregnancy. Take with food or milk if gastritis is an issue. Must sit upright for 30 minutes after taking, with at least 100ml water. Avoid antacids, iron or calcium/magnesium/zinc-containing products at same time as absorption of doxycycline significantly impaired.
OR Clarithromycin (<i>Second line in penicillin allergy</i>)	500mg every 12 hours	5 days¥	Clarithromycin suitable in 2 nd and 3 rd trimester in pregnancy. For 1 st trimester, seek specialist advice.
CRB 65 Score 1-2 and assessed suitable for treatment in the community			
Amoxicillin PLUS Clarithromycin	1g every 8 hours 500mg every 12 hours	7days	Consider hospital admission Avoid amoxicillin in penicillin allergy. Clarithromycin suitable in 2 nd and 3 rd trimester in pregnancy. For 1 st trimester, seek specialist advice.
OR Doxycycline	200mg every 24 hours*	7 days	Avoid in pregnancy. Take with food or milk if gastritis is an issue. Must sit upright for 30 minutes after taking, with at least 100ml water. Avoid antacids, iron or calcium/magnesium/zinc-containing products at same time as absorption of doxycycline significantly impaired.
CRB 65 Score 3 or more (urgent hospital admission)			
Administer Benzylpenicillin prior to transfer	1.2g IV/IM	N/A	Avoid in penicillin allergy Urgent hospital admission
Or Amoxicillin	1g PO	N/A	Seek risk factors for <i>Legionella</i> and <i>Staph.aureus</i> infection