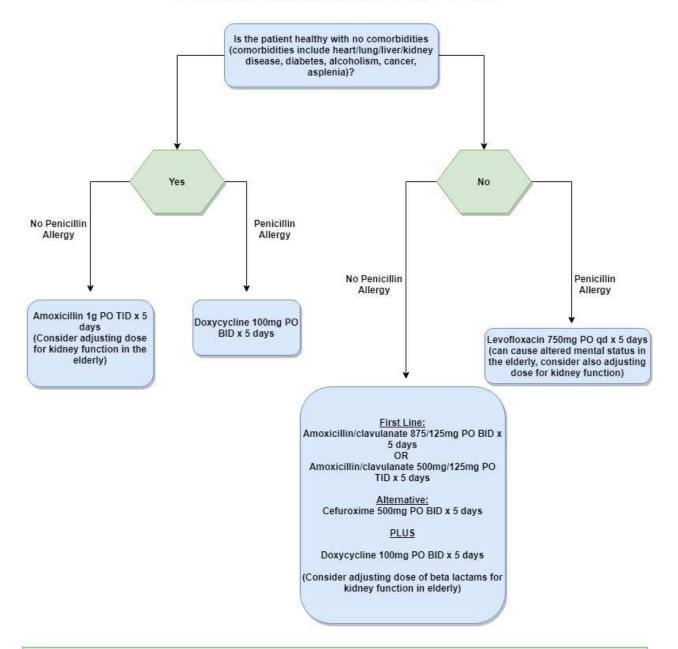


Antibiotic Algorithm for Community-Acquired Pneumonia (Outpatient, Adult Only)



Clinical Pearls

Consider pneumonia instead of bronchitis if all the following are present:

- 1. Heart rate > 100 beats/min
- 2. Respiratory rate > 24 breaths/minute
- 3. Oral body temperature of > 100.4°F
- 4. Chest examination findings of focal consolidation, egophony, or fremitus
- Streptococcus pneumoniae sensitivity to azithromycin = 64% based on small # of hospital isolates. Consider use only if other therapies are contraindicated
- Newer agents lefamulin and omadacycline can be cost-prohibitive and need further validation in outpatient setting

- Patients with MR\$A or Pseudomonas aeruginosa risk factors are uncommon in outpatient setting and are therefore excluded from this algorithm

These guidelines are not intended to replace clinical judgement

Based on ATS/IDSA Practice Guidelines for Community-Acquired Pneumonia, 2019, and

Treatment of Community-Acquired Pneumonia in Adults. Pharmacist's Letter/Prescriber's Letter. December 2019.