Structured Administration and Supply Arrangement (SASA)

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| **TITLE:** | **Treatment of Trachoma by Registered Nurses** |

1. **Authority:**

Issued by the Chief Executive Officer of Health under Part 6 of the Medicines and Poisons Regulations 2016.

1. **Scope:**

This authorises Registered Nurses working at a under the direction of a WA Health Population Health Unit to administer azithromycin, in an oral formulation, as a single dose, for treatment or public health management of trachoma.

1. **Criteria:**

This SASA authorises the actions specified in the table below.

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| Practitioner: | Registered Nurse who have completed training in trachoma management approved by a WA Health Population Heath Unit |
| Practice setting: | WA Health Population Health Units in the Kimberley, Pilbara, Midwest and Goldfields regions |
| Approved activity: | administration or supply |
| Approved medicines: | oral azithromycin as a single dose |
| Medical conditions: | trachoma - adults and children who weigh >3kg |

1. **Conditions:**

The administration or supply of approved medicines under this SASA is subject to the conditions that:

* 1. Patient selection, administration, supply and follow up care is in in accordance with the most recent version of the *CDNA* *National Guidelines for the Public Health Management of Trachoma;*
  2. Administration or supply is part of a regional trachoma control program;
  3. Supply is not repeated for the same instance of the condition, without the direction of a medical practitioner;
  4. The medicines are procured by an authorised person or an appropriate Medicines and Poisons Permit holder;
  5. Procurement, storage, packaging, labelling and supply of the approved medicines is in accordance with Part 9 of the Medicines and Poisons Regulations 2016; and
  6. Record keeping of administration or supply is in accordance with Part 12 of the Medicines and Poisons Regulations 2016.

1. **References:**
2. Communicable Diseases Network Australia. *Trachoma - CDNA National Guidelines for the Public Health Management of Trachoma 2013*. Canberra: Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, 2014. Available at: [www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/content/cda-cdna-pubs-trachoma.htm](http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/content/cda-cdna-pubs-trachoma.htm)
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