

Emergency medical information

This patient has the primary immunodeficiency Chronic Granulomatous Disorder (CGD), a rare, inherited disorder of the immune system.

They are susceptible to serious, potentially life threatening bacterial and fungal infection. They also experience symptoms associated with chronic inflammation, often granulomatous in nature.

Safety First – any febrile illness should be treated promptly with antibiotics, proceeding to appropriate intravenous therapy where necessary. Patients with CGD may require longer antibiotic courses, sometimes at higher doses. The spectrum of bacteria that cause infection in CGD should always be considered when deciding the choice of antibiotics. It is advisable to seek advice from a specialist centre when treating CGD patients.

Significant symptoms of infection in CGD

- A fever of 38°C or above
- Warm, tender or swollen areas
- Hard lumps
- Sores with pus or rashes
- Persistent diarrhoea
- Persistent cough or chest pain
- Night sweats
- Frequent or persistent headaches
- Loss of appetite
- Weight loss
- Pain or difficulty on urinating
- Difficulty swallowing food
- Vomiting shortly after eating (on a more or less consistent basis)

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Specialist centres for CGD in the UK

PAEDIATRIC CARE

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Great North Children's Hospital – Newcastle Upon Tyne

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ADULT CARE

The Royal Free London Hospital

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About CGD Society

The CGD Society is an international organisation based in the UK supporting individuals and families affected by chronic granulomatous disorder (CGD).

Our website at cgd-society.org provides medical information on CGD for medical professionals, patients and families.

Our CGD clinical nurse specialist based at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, can be contacted for emergency advice at:

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