

Lyme disease in pregnancy

If you have been bitten by a tick and are concerned about Lyme disease please go to the NHS Website (www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/) for further information.

If you are pregnant you **MUST** go and see your GP for them to assess and diagnose whether or not you have Lyme disease. If you do have Lyme disease your GP will prescribe you the appropriate antibiotics for your stage of pregnancy.

Women with Lyme disease in pregnancy are unlikely to pass the infection on to their baby, but it is important that the full course of antibiotic treatment is completed.

If you have had Lyme disease during pregnancy you must tell the healthcare professionals when you are admitted to hospital to have your baby, where advice can be sought from a paediatrician on what treatment and/or investigations if any are required for your baby as soon as they are born.

References

- NICE Clinical Guidelines NG95: Lyme disease www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng95

This document can be made available in other languages and formats upon request.

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