

## Oseltamivir (Tamiflu) Doses in Children

Available as: 12 mg/mL mixture or 75 mg capsules

### Treatment dose:

Patient age	Patient weight	Dose	Volume of 12 mg/mL suspension	
<b>&lt; 1 year</b>  <i>(based on 2 – 3 mg/kg per dose)</i>	≤ 3 kg	6 mg	0.5 mL bd for 5 days	<i>The bottle comes with a dispenser marked for 30, 45 &amp; 60 mg which should not be used in this age group.</i>
	>3 to 4 kg	9 mg	0.75 mL bd for 5 days	
	>4 to 6 kg	12 mg	1.0 mL bd for 5 days	
	>6 to 9 kg	18 mg	1.5 mL bd for 5 days	<i>Provide patients with an oral syringe instead (e.g. 3 ml or 5 ml) to measure doses and give instructions in mL.</i>
	>9 to 12 kg	24 mg	2.0 mL bd for 5 days	
	>12 to 14 kg	30 mg	2.5 mL bd for 5 days	
<b>&gt; 1 year</b>	< 15 kg	30 mg bd for 5 days		<i>Instruction leaflet provided in package gives doses in mg.</i>
	15 to 23 kg	45 mg bd for 5 days		
	23 to 40 kg	60 mg bd for 5 days		<i>The bottle comes with a dispenser marked for 30, 45 &amp; 60 mg. For 75 mg measure 30 mg + another dose of 45 mg.</i>
	>40 kg (adult dose)	75 mg bd for 5 days (or one 75 mg capsule bd for 5 days)		

**Post-exposure prophylaxis dose:** Same doses and volumes as above but once daily for 10 days

**Infants < 3 months:** *prophylaxis not recommended unless the situation is deemed critical due to limited data on use in this age group*