

Letterkenny University Hospital - LUH Antimicrobial Prescribing Policy/Guidelines: Plastic Surgery

Antibiotics for Plastic Surgery				
Type of Surgery	Procedure	1 st Line Antibiotic*	Penicillin allergy: immediate or severe delayed reaction See penicillin hypersensitivity section for further information	Number & Timing of Doses
Prophylaxis in Plastic Surgery See Note Regarding Risk Factors for MRSA See Note Regarding Multi-drug Resistant Organisms (MDRO)	Consider surgical prophylaxis for patients with risk factors for surgical site infection.	Co-amoxiclav* IV 1.2g (one dose only)	Clindamycin* IV 900mg (one dose only)	1 st dose within 60 minutes before incision
*Antibiotic choice should be guided by microbiological culture results, where an additional agent may be indicated. Discuss with Microbiology where necessary.				