

**Table II. Antimicrobial Therapy for *E. Histolytica* Infection**

Scenario	Drugs of choice Adult dose (pediatric dose)	Comments	Second-line drugs Adult dose (pediatric dose)
Asymptomatic intestinal colonization	Diloxanide 500mg po tid (20mg/kg/d ÷ tid) x 10d <b>or</b> Paromomycin 25-35 mg/kg/d po ÷ tid x 7d		Iodoquinol 650mg po tid (30-40 mg/kg/d ÷ tid) x 20d
Amebic colitis	Metronidazole 750mg po tid (35-50mg/kg/d ÷ tid) x 5-10 d <b>or</b> Other nitroimidazoles, e.g Tinidazole 600mg po bid (50mg/kg qd) x 3-5d	Shorter courses may work for mild disease  If severe consider adding emetine (1 mg/kg up to 60mg) or dehydroemetine (1.25 mg/kg up to 90mg im qd x 10d maximum)  Follow with course for asymptomatic colonization	
Amebic liver abscess	Metronidazole 750mg po tid (35-50mg/kg/d ÷ tid) x 10 d <b>or</b> Other nitroimidazoles, e.g Tinidazole 600mg po bid (50mg/kg qd) x 5d	If not responding within 72h consider drainage and adding chloroquine, emetine or dehydroemetine  Follow with course for asymptomatic colonization	Chloroquine 600mg po qd x2d then 300mg po bid x 20d