

# Antibiotic Decision Making for Acute Otitis Media (AOM)

## Terms:

AOM = Acute Otitis Media

AOE = Acute Otitis Externa

OME = Otitis Media With Effusion

**Severe signs** = Fever  $>39^{\circ}\text{C}$  or moderate-severe otalgia<sup>1</sup> or otalgia<sup>1,2</sup>  $\geq 48$  hours

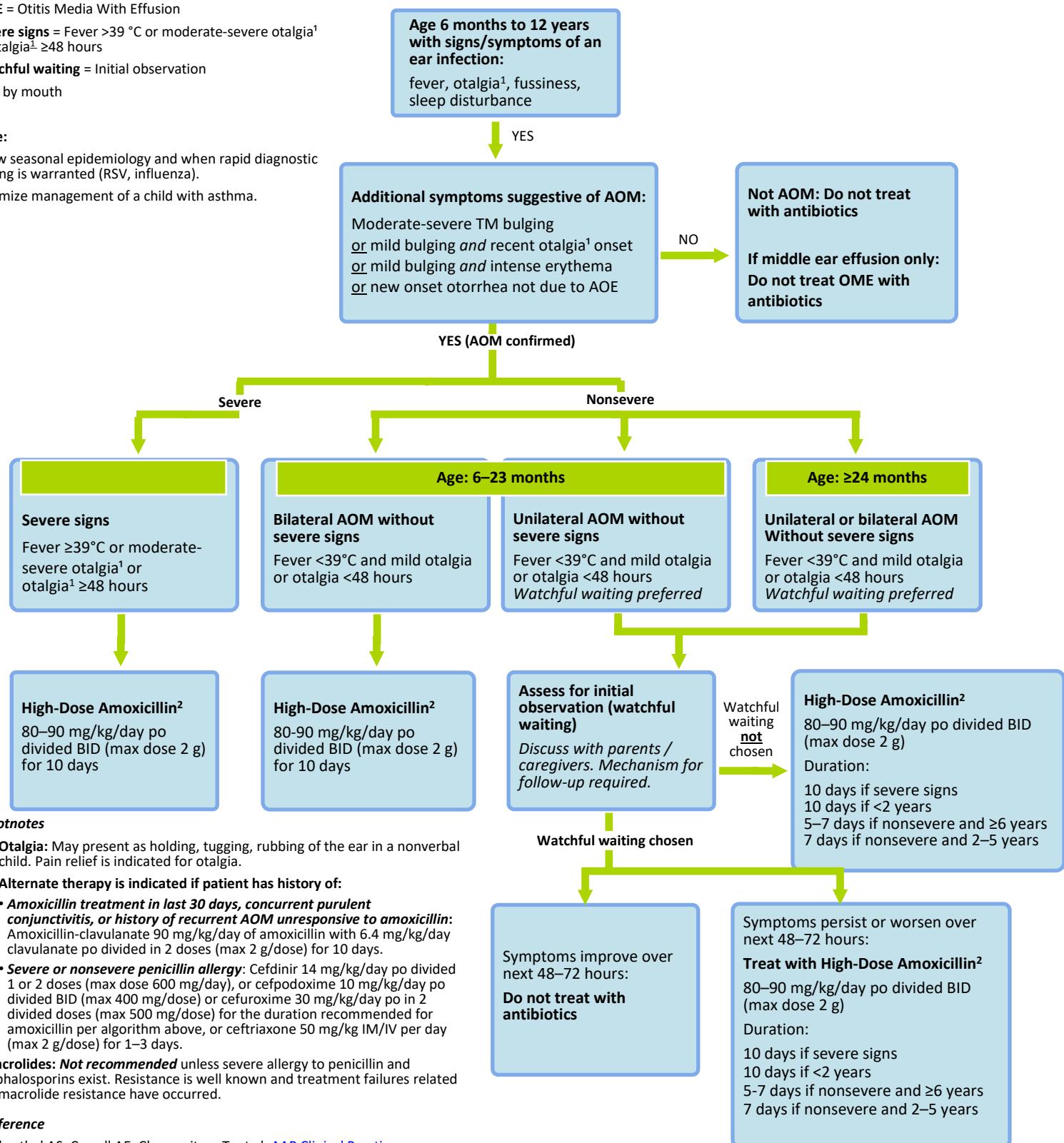
**Watchful waiting** = Initial observation

**po** = by mouth

## Note:

Know seasonal epidemiology and when rapid diagnostic testing is warranted (RSV, influenza).

Optimize management of a child with asthma.



## Reference

Lieberthal AS, Carroll AE, Chonmaitree T, et al. *AAP Clinical Practice Guideline: the diagnosis and management of acute otitis media*. *Pediatrics* 2012;129(2):e61-e99a

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