

CELLULITIS DERMATOLOGY MANAGEMENT PATHWAY

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Bilateral both leg "cellulitis" - it is extremely rare to have a primary bilateral infectious origin.

Most do not require prolonged courses of intravenous or even oral antibiotics.

In the absence of significantly raised CRP/WCC overt skin infection cellulitis is unlikely.

The commonest causes for bilateral swollen red legs are

- Venous / varicose eczema
- Early lipodermatosclerosis
- Peripheral Oedema induced secondary skin changes



If symptoms of presumed cellulitis not improving with 48 Hrs of antibiotics, consider alternative diagnosis as above

