# IV opioid administration by nurses & midwives (EC) – Clinical Assessment Tool

Name: HE#:

## Outcome

Demonstrates the required understanding and clinical skills for administering IV opioids in the Emergency Centre setting.

## Preparation

Applicable for initial competency and staff with previous competency or competency from other health service.

### Theory

Read clinical guidelines:

* [WNHS.OG.EmergencyCentre.pdf (page 11)](https://healthpoint.hdwa.health.wa.gov.au/policies/Policies/NMAHS/WNHS/WNHS.OG.EmergencyCentre.pdf)
* [WNHS Morphine CPG](https://kemh.health.wa.gov.au/~/media/HSPs/NMHS/Hospitals/WNHS/Documents/Clinical-guidelines/Obs-Gyn-MPs/Morphine.pdf?thn=0)
* [WNHS IV Fentanyl CPG](https://kemh.health.wa.gov.au/~/media/HSPs/NMHS/Hospitals/WNHS/Documents/Clinical-guidelines/Obs-Gyn-MPs/Fentanyl---Parenteral.pdf?thn=0)

### Supervised practice

Supervisor – Health care professional deemed competent in administration.

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| **Requirement** | **Date** | **Supervisor Initial** |
| Clinical practice administering the IV opioid medication supervised by midwife/nurse deemed competent – competency achieved |  |  |

## Performance criteria

To be completed and signed by the supervisor. (A=achieved, NA= not achieved)

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| **Date:** | **A/NA** |
| **Preparation:** | |
| * Confirms consent and provides education to the woman |  |
| * Prepares opioid as per Emergency Centre Clinical Practice Guideline |  |
| * Checks “6 rights” of medication administration |  |
| **Procedure:** | |
| * Ensures safe to administer (conscious state/respiratory rate >12) |  |
| * Assess and document pain score |  |
| * Confirms baseline observations within normal limits |  |
| * Medication and dose checked at bedside with a second authorised health professional |  |
| * Titrates medication according to prescribed order and pain score |  |
| * Safely stores prepared solution between incremental doses |  |
| * Safely discards residual solution if no longer required |  |
| * Monitors patient during administration |  |
| **Post-procedure:** | |
| * Correctly documents administration |  |
| * Observations (respiratory rate, oxygen saturation, heart rate, blood pressure, conscious state and pain score) 10 and 20 minutes after last increment given |  |
| * Monitors analgesic effect and notifies accordingly |  |

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| **Comment:** | | |
| **Supervisor:** | Name: | Designation: |
| **Signature:** |  | |

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