





## ADULT MEDICATION GUIDELINE

# ONDANSETRON

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<b>Presentation</b>	Ampoule: 4mg/2mL Wafer: 4mg, 8mg
<b>Dose</b>	<b><u>Hyperemesis Gravidarum (second line)</u></b> <b>Oral/IV:</b> 4mg every 8 hours.  <b><u>Post-Operative Nausea And Vomiting (PONV)</u></b> <b>Oral/IV:</b> 4mg as a pre-medication then every 8 hours when required.  <b><u>Nausea And Vomiting</u></b> <b>Oral/IV:</b> 4mg every 6-8 hours when required.
<b>Administration</b>	<b><u>Oral</u></b> Place on top of the tongue to dissolve and then swallow  <b><u>IV injection (for doses of up to 8mg)</u></b> <b>Administration:</b> Inject SLOWLY over 2 to 5 minutes  <b><u>IV infusion (for doses above 8mg and for all doses in patients &gt;75 years)</u></b> <b>Step 1 Dilution:</b> Dilute with 50mL of Sodium chloride 0.9% or Glucose 5% <b>Step 2 Administration:</b> Infuse over 15 minutes <b>Maximum dose to be infused:</b> 16mg (8mg for patients >75 years)
<b>Pregnancy</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Trimester:</b> Consider alternative <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester:</b> Monitoring required <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester:</b> Monitoring required
<b>Breastfeeding</b>	Considered safe to use

<b>Clinical guidelines and policies</b>	<a href="#">Minor symptoms or disorders in pregnancy</a> <a href="#">Pregnancy: First Trimester</a> <a href="#">Patient Brochure: Morning Sickness</a> <a href="#">Patient Booklet: Pregnancy, Birth and Your Baby</a> <a href="#">Guideline for prescribing routine medications in Labour &amp; Birth Suite</a> <a href="#">Epidural Side Effects</a> <a href="#">Post-Operative Pain</a> <a href="#">Post-Operative Nausea and Vomiting Protocol</a>
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