



ADULT MEDICATION GUIDELINE

Metoclopramide

Scope (Staff):	All WNHS Staff
Scope (Area):	Obstetrics and Gynaecology

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Medication Class

Dopamine antagonist

Presentation

Tablets: 10mg

Ampoule: 10mg/2mL

Storage

Tablets: Store below 30°C

Ampoule: Store below 25°C. Protect from light.

Dose

Note: It is recommended that treatment duration be a maximum of five days

Nausea and Vomiting

Oral, IM or IV injection:

>60kg: 10 mg three times daily as needed.

30 – 60kg: 5 mg three times daily as needed.

Total daily dose should not exceed 30mg or 0.5 mg/kg (whichever is less).

Gastric Stasis**Oral, IM or IV injection:**

>20 years: 5 – 10 mg three times daily. Maximum 30mg in 24 hours.

Administration**Oral**

Take with or without food.

Intramuscular

Inject into a large muscle.

IV Injection

Give over at least 3 minutes to minimise transient agitation, restlessness and hypotension.

IV Infusion

Step 1 Dilution: Dilute the dose in at least 50mL of compatible fluid.

Step 2 Administration: Infuse over 15 minutes.

Pregnancy

1st Trimester: Safe to use.

2nd Trimester: Safe to use.

3rd Trimester: Safe to use.

Breastfeeding

Considered safe to use.

Comments

Risk of tardive dyskinesia increases with cumulative dose and length of treatment. Short-term use only, up to a maximum of 5 days.

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