

**Home Health VNA
IM/SC Medication Clinical Fact Sheet**

Medication: Methotrexate

Med Class: Antineoplastic, Folic acid antagonist

Common Uses: Cancers, RA, Psoriasis

Route(s): IM

Instructions/Precautions: Instructions: Double glove when handling syringe; Encourage fluid intake of 2-3L daily; Monitor CBC with diff, PLTs and LFTs; Caution in very young and elderly; Adverse effects: Leukopenia, Thrombocytopenia anemia, Mucositis, Oral ulcerations, GI ulceration, Lung disease, Tumor lysis syndrome, Severe infections.

First Dose Allowed: Y

Special Training Required: N

Note: Nurse will not administer medication if special training is required and nurse has not received training; Contact your Clinical Manager immediately