

Home Health VNA
IM/SC Medication Clinical Fact Sheet

Medication: Morphine sulfate

Med Class: Narcotic

Common Uses: Pain management

Route(s): SC or IM

Instructions/Precautions: Instructions: Document injection site; Solution may darken with age, do not use solution if darker than pale yellow; If respirations drop below 12 breaths/min, hold dose & call MD; Reassess pts level of pain 15-30 minutes after SC/IM dose; Drug may be abused; Monitor CBC with PLT, LFTs; Caution in elderly; Adverse effects: Dizziness, Euphoria, Light headedness, Sedation, Seizures, Bradycardia, Hypotension, Urine retention, Constipation, CNS depression, Apnea, Respiratory depression, Respiratory arrest.

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