

Home Health VNA IV Medication Clinical Fact Sheet

NOTE: THIS IS A PART B DRUG UNDER THE NEW HIT BENEFIT

Medicare patients may only be accepted under contract with New England Life Care and clinician must follow specific documentation instructions

IV Medication: Duramorph Risk Level: 1

Med Class: Pain - Narcotic analgesic

Common Uses: Pain management

Labs to Monitor: 0

Instructions/Precautions: Give via EPIDURAL ONLY, VS, Blurred vision, Dizziness, Drowsiness, Back pain, Diminished GI motility- Bowel program. Must be preservative free, No alcohol use on line or caps, use pump-label epidural only on tubing, 0.2 micron filter, NO FLUSHING.

First Dose Allowed:	N
Central Line Only:	Y
IV Push:	N
Vesicant:	N

See Procedure Manual: Epidural Intrathecal Line

Notes: Only drugs listed as First Dose Allowed may be given in the home as a first dose and are considered for a first dose on a case by case basis by the IV Program Manager
The IV Manager and/or Clinical Director must be consulted before a first dose referral is accepted

Risk Levels: n/a = Routinely given; Clinician must be approved to administer IV medications
1= IV Program Mgr or Clinical Director approval before referral is accepted
2= IV Program Mgr notification; Clinicians must review Special Instructions