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: Milrinone/Primacor Risk Level: 1

Med Class: Inotropic

Common Uses: Advanced heart disease - palliation, organ transplant waiting list

Labs to Monitor: CMP, Mg, PO4, LFTs

Instructions/Precautions: Advance Directives/ Responsible caregiver required; given as continuous infusion; back up pump required. Parameters from MD for BP, HR and weights. Monitor BP including orthostatic BP, urinary output, fluid and electrolyte changes, dyspnea and ↑ fatigue, Arrythmias, Tachycardia. Reduce rate or stop infusion for significant drop in BP and notify MD immediately.

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

See Procedure Manual: Med Inotropic

**** Note: Use specific interventions in HW to create POC under IV Medications - Inotropic Meds**
Use Patient Education Materials specific for Milrinone in your patient/caregiver teaching

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