

**Home Health VNA  
IV Medication Clinical Fact Sheet**

IV Medication: Octreotide Acetate/Sandostatin Risk Level: n/a

Med Class: Somatostatin analog

Common Uses: Acromegaly, pituitary tumors,  
Antidiarrheal

Labs to Monitor: BMP, IGF-1 levels, Pancreatic Enzymes

Instructions/Precautions: IV use for limited time, switch to SC, Hypo  
and Hyperglycemia, Arrhythmias,  
Bradychardia, monitor fluids and  
Electrolytes, gallbladder disease

First Dose Allowed: 

Y
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Central Line Only: 

Y
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IV Push: 

N
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Vesicant: 

N
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See Procedure Manual: n/a

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