

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

IV Medication:   Epoprostenol / Veletri / Flolan   Risk Level:   1  

Med Class:   Prastacyclin Vasodilator  

Common Uses:   Pulmonary arterial hypertension;  
scleroderma 2nd to PAH; Raynaud's  
disease; anticoagulations with CVVHD  

Labs to Monitor:   BUN, Cr, LFTs  

Instructions/Precautions:   Requires specialized training for assigned nurse. Must be initiated in the hospital; pre-d/c teaching re med adverse effects, precautions to be reinforced in home; responsible caregiver required; given as continuous infusion, back up pump required, peripheral IV start kit should be present in the home in case of line failure; check that pump alarms are audible; interruptions in infusion can cause rebound pulm htn or R ventricular failure; draw blood from different line; DO NOT FLUSH LINE. If line fails, start peripheral line and send to ED. Adverse Reactions: N/V, H/A, hypotension, flushing, chest pain, anxiety, dizziness, bradycardia, dyspnea, abd pain, MS pain, tachycardia. Caution when given with diuretics, antihypertensives, vasodilators, antiplatelet agents or anticoagulants, digoxin (dig toxicity)  

First Dose Allowed: 

N
Y
N
N

Central Line Only: 

Y
N
N

IV Push: 

N
N

Vesicant: 

N
N

See Procedure Manual:   See PDR.net document for complete drug information  

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