



MCHD Critical Care Drips Meds and Procedures

Moore County Hospital District
Education Department

Dopamine

- Increases systolic and diastolic BP
- 400 mg in 250 cc D5W 1600 mcg/ml (pre-mixed bag)
- Initial Infusion 1-5 mcg/kg/min
- Maintenance Infusion rate 5-20 mcg/kg/min
- Maximum Infusion Rate rarely > 25mcg/kg/min
- For renal perfusion, titrate infusion by 1-4 mcg/kg/min
Q 10-30 min until desired response is achieved (physician usually orders rate for renal perfusion) maintenance dosage.
- MI/hr rate chart in drip book in ICU or ED

$$\frac{250\text{ml}}{400\text{ mg}} \times \frac{? \text{mcg}}{\text{kg/min}} \times \frac{\text{kg}}{1} \times \frac{1\text{ mg}}{1000\text{ mcg}} \times \frac{60\text{ min}}{1\text{ hr}} = \frac{\text{ml}}{\text{hr}}$$

Dobutamine

- Positive inotrope to increase cardiac output³
- Dilution: 250mg in 250 ml o D5W = 1mg/ml
- Initial dose 2.5-10 mcg/kg/minute
- Titrate to desired response
- Max 40 mcg/kg/minute
- Monitor BP q 15 min
- Maintain parameters ordered by physician
- Do not mix with Sodium Bicarbonate injection , is incompatible with Dobutamine
- Use with caution in patients allergic to sulfites
- Administer in largest vein possible such as antecubital vein

Lidocaine

- Prophylaxis and treatment for suppression of ventricular arrhythmias (PVC's and Ventricular tachycardia).
- 2 Grams in 500 ml of D5W for 4mg/ml (pre-mixed bag)
- Bolus 1-1.5 mg/kg IV push over 2 minutes
- May give 0.5-0.75 mg/kg q 5-10 minutes total dose not to exceed 3mg/kg.
- Maintenance infusion 1mg/min= 15 cc/hr, 2 mg/min = 30 cc/hr, 3mg min = 45 cc/hr, 4 mg/min = 60 cc/hr
- Note 60 cc/hr is not recommended.
- Side Effects: Confusion, tremors, stupor, lightheadedness, seizures, hypotension, double vision, worsening arrhythmias.

Amiodarone

- For stable VT, a Fib
- Stocked as Nexterone in 150 mg premix for loading dose and 360 mg premix for infusion.
- Administer loading bolus over 10 min
- Begin infusion at 1mg per minute or 33.3 ml/hr for 6 hours,
- After 6 hours reduce rate to 0.5 mg/min or 16ml/hr for 18 hours for maintenance.
- Use an in-line filter for infusions
- Monitor rhythm, vitals , and for edema in hands and feet
- Monitor for pulmonary toxicity

Cardizem

- Add 125 mg (25 ml) of Cardizem to 100 ml of NS or D5W to make a solution with a concentration of 1mg/ml.
- Initial dosage: 0.25mg/kg over 2 minutes
- If desired response is not achieved in 15 min, then administer 2nd dose at 0.35mg/kg over 2 minutes.
- Maintenance Dosage: 5-10 mg/hr, increase in 5mg/hr increments up to a maximum of 15mg/hr
- Piggyback into lowest port of main line of NS
- Change solution every 24 hours
- Infuse through separate line due to many incompatibilities
- Patient will be monitored in ICU for arrhythmias & hypotension

Epinephrine

- Vasopressor
- Administer in a large vein
- Dilution: 2mg in 250 ml NS or D5W
- Concentration: 8mcg/ml
- Initial Dose: 1 mcg/minute

- Extravasation management:

Use phentolamine as antidote. Mix 5 mg with 9 ml NS. Inject a small amount of this dilution into extravasated area. Blanching should reverse immediately. If blanching should occur, additional injections of phentolamine may be needed.

Norepinephrine, (levophed)

- 4 mg in 250 ml D5W for 16 mcg/ml
- Initial Dose: 8-12 mcg/min, dose can go up to 3 mcg/kg/min in sepsis patients.
- Maintenance Dose: 2-4 mcg/min , Titrate to maximum of 30 mcg/ min.
- Should be administered in a large vein such as an AC
- Requires infusion pump
- Monitor vitals, especially BP
- For extravasation, apply warm compress or use nitroglycerin 1 inch to site, may also inject 0.5 ml terbutaline Sub q to affected area.

Fosphenytoin (cerebyx)

- Anti-epileptic
- 1000 mg in 100 ml NS
- Remove 20 ml from NS bag, add 20ml of Fosphenytoin
- Usual Dose: Expressed in phenytoin equivalents (PE)
15-20 mg PE/kg at a rate not exceed 150 PE/min Given usually over 20-30 minutes
Maintenance doses of 4-6 mg PE/kg/day IV may follow
- Infuse in large vessel
- Place patient on cardiac monitor during infusion
- Ensure patency of IV cathater
- Y site compatibility lorazepam, phenobarbital

Heparin

- 25,000 units in 250cc D5W for 100u/cc
- Administration: bolus followed by infusion
- Contraindications: bleeding abnormalities, vitamin K deficiency, severe hepatic renal disease, severe HTN
- Side effects: hemorrhage, nausea/vomiting, headaches
- Determine baseline PTT prior to initiating therapy
- Monitor for headache, abdominal or back pain use an electric razor, avoid IM injections.
- Assess for hematuria and occult blood in stool

$$\frac{250 \text{ ml}}{25,000 \text{ u}} \times \frac{\# \text{ units}}{\text{hr}} = \frac{\text{ml}}{\text{hr}}$$

Insulin

- Dilution: Regular Human Insulin 100 units in 100 ml NS
- Concentration: 1 unit/ml
- Administration: Piggy back into lowest port of main line NS
- Change solution every 24 hours
- Initial Dose: 10-30 units IV per physicians orders.
- Maintenance Dose: 2-12 units/hour for correction of hyperglycemia. Units/hr = ml/hr (5 units/hr = 5 ml/hr)
- Must be verified by 2 nurses
- Hourly accuchecks
- Monitor for S/S of hypo and hyper glycemia.

Labetalol

- Anti-hypertensive
- 200 mg in 160 ml of D5W (200 ml total volume) for 1 mg/ml.
- Remove 90 ml from D5W 250 ml bag , Add 40 ml (200 mg) of labetalol to make a total volume of 200 ml
- Bolus :20 mg over 2 min q 10 minutes until desired BP achieved or to max of 300 mg administered.
- Continuous drip: 2mg/min (120ml/hr) titrate rate per BP response or max of 300 mg administered.
- Monitor vital signs especially BP and heart rate to avoid Hypotension and bradycardia.

Methylprednisolone Succinate

- Solu-medrol only
- Used in treatment of acute spinal cord injury
- Must be administered within 8 hours of injury
- Initial bolus: 30mg/kg in 50 cc D5W over 15 minutes
- Wait 45 minutes then give maintenance infusion of 5.4mg/kg in 200 cc D5W at 10 cc/hr via pump over 23 hours.
- Use with caution in pregnancy, and patients already on steroids.
- If patient taken to surgery, continue dose.
- Monitor for S/S of infection and GI bleed

Nitroprusside Sodium (Nipride)

- To lower BP quickly in hypertensive emergencies
- 50 mg in 250 ml D5W for 200 mcg/ ml
- Initial Dose: 0.3 to 0.5 mcg/kg/min, titrate by 0.5 mcg/kg/min every few minutes not to exceed 2 mcg kg/min.
- Not compatible with protonix
- Protect from light
- Stable for 24 hours
- Monitor BP, HR, Acid base status, o2 sat and for cyanide toxicity, (Metabolic acidosis, bradycardia, decreased O2 sat, confusion, and convulsions)

Vasopressin

- 20 units in 100 ml NS for 0.2 units/ml
- Septic Shock: 0.03 units per minute with max dose of 0.7 units per minute. (doses greater than 0.03 units/min increase cardiac side effects).
- Gastroesophageal Variceal Hemorrhage: 0.2 to 0.4 units/min max dose 0.8 units/min with max duration of 24 hours.
- When used for hemorrhage at max dose, the use of nitroglycerin concurrently is recommended to prevent myocardial ischemic complications.
- Compatible with Cardizem, Dobutamine, Dopamine, Levophed, Heparin, insulin, protonix, epi, and sodium bicarb.

Vasopressin

| DOSAGE | Rate of Administration |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 0.01 units/min | 3 mL/hr |
| 0.02 units/min | 6 mL/hr |
| 0.03 units/min | 9 mL/hr |
| 0.04 units/min | 12 mL/hr |

Neo-Synephrine

- Indicated in hypotensive emergencies during spinal anesthesia, severe hypotension, shock, and psvt.
- Mix 10 mg in 250 NS = 40 mcg/ml, may also be mixed in 500cc NS or D5W.
- Initial infusion rate is at 100 to 180 mcg/min ; then decrease to maintenance infusion of 40-60 mcg/min when BP stable.
- May also be given as a bolus: administer 0.2 mg IV, SC or IM.
- Contraindicated in severe hypertension or V Tach.
- Side Effects: May cause Headaches, bradycardia, arrhythmias, hypertension, asthmatic episodes, tissue with extravasations, possible tachyphylaxis with continued use.

Neo-Synephrine

- Use with extreme caution in elderly patients and patients with heart disease, hyperthyroidism, bradycardia, partial heart block, and myocardial disease.
- Use large bore IV for administration.
- Use IV pump
- Continuous monitoring of EKG, BP, CO, CVP, PAWP, urine output, and color and temp of limbs.
- Monitor administration site for extravasations.

Propofol

- Indicated for: Sedation, Anesthesia, Rapid sequence intubation.
- Requires a dedicated IV catheter
- Use the 100ml premixed bottle 10 mg/ml
- Disinfect rubber stopper with 70% isopropyl alcohol and allow drying before spiking.
- Initial Infusion: 5mcg/kg/min for 5 minutes.
- Increase rate at 5-10 minute intervals in increments of 5-10 mcg/kg/min until desired level of sedation is achieved.

Propofol

- Maintenance Infusion: Rates of 5-50 mcg/kg/min or higher may be required.
- The tubing and any unused portions of propofol should be discarded every 12 hours.
- Propofol contains no preservative and is capable of supporting growth of microorganisms.
- Nurses may monitor infusions post intubation, Physicians need to administer bolus.
- Monitor vital signs every 5-10 min (HR BP)

Propofol

- Do not administer with blood.
- Discontinue /notify doctor if patient has severe hypotension, bradycardia, or if hypersensitivity occurs.
- If Triglycerides level is $> 500\text{mg/dl}$, use is not recommended
- Prolonged therapy leads to a decrease in Zinc levels
- Daily awakening assessments
- Reduce dose by 20 % in elderly patients
- Smaller doses may be required when used with narcotics.
- Rate chart in IV Drip book in ER and ICU

Nitroglycerin (Tridil)

- 50 mg in 250 ml D5W = 200 mcg/100cc
- Initial Infusion: 10 mcg/min (3cc/hr)
- Maintenance Infusion rate; 10-400 mcg/min
- 400 mcg/min is rarely necessary
- 10 mcg/min = 3 ml/hr
- 20 mcg/min = 6 ml/hr
- 30 mcg/min = 9 ml/hr ect
- Titration: Increase by increments of 10 mcg/min (3cc/hr) every 3-5 minutes until desired response is noted
- Pain free for a patient with chest pain
- Or lowered BP

Nitroglycerin (Tridil)

- Use Nitroglycerin tubing found in bottom cabinet on crash cart or in pharmacy.
- Monitor BP and EKG continuously (BP at q dose change and at least q 5-15 min while titrating).
- Side Effects: Severe headaches, tachycardia, bradycardia, hypotension.
- Record onset, duration, location of CP, obtain baseline BP, monitor for postural hypotension, keep BP within parameters ordered by (usually > 100 systolic)
- MAP (Mean Arterial Pressure) = $SBP + \frac{(DBP \times 2)}{3}$

Pantoprazole (Protonix)

- Usual Dose: 80mg bolus, followed by 8 mg/hr continuous infusion for active GI bleed.
- Withdraw 20 ml from the NS 100 ml bag and add 10 ml of that volume to each vial of protonix.
- Using one syringe, draw up both vials of Protonix and add back into the NS bag. For 0.8 mg/ml.
- 8 mg/hr = 10 ml/hr (Limit use to 72 hours)
- May be administered IV through a dedicated line or through a Y-site.
- The Y-site line should be flushed before and after administration of Protonix IV with 5% DD5W, NS or LR.

Midazolam (Versed)

- 50 mg in 50 ml NS for 1 mg/ml
- Start at 0.02 to 0.1 mg/kg/hr and titrate to effect using sedation scales SAS or RASS
- Max drip rate 20 mg/hr
- May produce apnea with rapid administration.
- Respiratory monitoring is critical to avert potential problems
- Hypotension in hypovolemic patients
- Consider reducing dose 20 to 50% in elderly, chronically ill, and patients receiving opioids or other CNS depressants.
- Use with caution in hepatic and renal impairment
- Incompatible with LR

Procainamide (Pronestyl)

- 2gm in 250ml of D5W for 8 mg/ml
- Bolus: 100mg by slow IV push q 5 minutes. No faster than 25-50 mg/min.
- Give until arrhythmias disappear, adverse reactions develop (QRS widens > 50% of original width), or total dose of 1 GM has been given.
- Loading dose may also be given IVPB in 50ml D5W over 25-30 minutes.

Procainamide (Pronestyl)

- Maintenance Infusion Rate
- 1-6 mg/min
- 1mg/min = 7.5ml/hr
- 2mg/min = 15ml/hr
- If arrhythmias recur, repeat bolus and increase infusion rate
- Monitor EKG and BP, Run on IV pump only
- Side Effects: Hallucinations, Seizures, abdominal Pain, anorexia, diarrhea, hypotension, AV block, ventricular asystole.
- Use cautiously in patients with second or third degree heart block. Monitor QT interval closely in renal failure.

Verapamil (Calan, Isoptin)

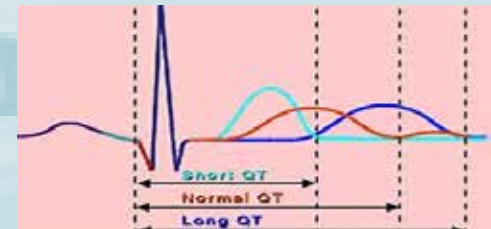
- 5 mg/2cc vial
- Slow IV push only. Verapamil should be given over a minimum of 2 minutes. Administer over 3 minutes in the elderly.
- *Adults:* Initially 5-10 mg may repeat in 30 minutes with 10mg dose if response is not adequate.
- Use with caution in patients with sick sinus syndrome or 2nd or 3rd degree heart blocks, severe hypotension, impaired renal function, and impaired liver function.
- Continuously monitor EKG and BP during IV administration. monitor for rapid ventricular rates, bradycardia, heart blocks. prolongation of PR interval Notify DR immediately if occurs

Corvert (Ibutilide Fumarate)

- Indicated for the rapid conversion of atrial fibrillation or atrial flutter of recent onset to sinus rhythm.
- 0.1mg/ml (available in 10cc vial)
- May be diluted in 50cc NS or given IV push
- Must be given over 10 minutes
- *Initial infusion:* Patient weighing 60 kg (132 lbs) or more
One vial: 1 mg of Corvert.
- Patient weighing < 60 kg (< 132 lbs) 0.1 mg/kg Covert.
- If arrhythmia does not terminate within 10 minutes after the end of the initial infusion, a second 10 minute infusion of equal strength may be administered 10 min after the end of the initial infusion.

Corvert (Ibutilide Fumarate)

- Physician Must be Present during Administration
- Contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to drug or its components.
- *Side Effects:* Headache, nausea, nonsustained VT, hypotension, BBB, AV block, sustained polymorphic VT, prolonged QT, bradycardia, tachycardia.
- Patient must have cardiac monitoring before during and after infusion (for at least 4 hours after). Monitor defibrillator must be at patients bedside during administration.
- Have recent Mag, Potassium, levels prior to administration.



MCHD Drip Protocol

MOORE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT - DUMAS, TEXAS DRIPS PROTOCOL

| DRUG | DILUTION | CONCENTRATION | FORMULA |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| DOPamine | 400 mg in 250ml D5W (Premix) | 1600 mcg/ml | <i>For this group:</i> If mcg/kg/min ordered: Then $(? \text{ mcg} \times 60 \times ? \text{ kg wt.}) / ? \text{ conc} = \text{_____ ml/hr (rate)}$ |
| DOBUTamine | 500 mg in 250 ml D5W (Premix) | 2000 mcg/ml | |
| NitroPRUSSIDE | 50 mg in 250 ml D5W | 200 mcg/ml | If ml/hr (rate) known: Then $(? \text{ rate} / ? \text{ kg wt.}) / 60 \times ? \text{ conc} = \text{_____ mcg/kg/min}$ |
| Lidocaine | 2 grams in 500 ml D5W (Premix) | 4 mg/ml | <i>For this group:</i> 4 mg/min = 60 ml/hr 3 mg/min = 45 ml/hr 2 mg/min = 30 ml/hr 1 mg/min = 15 ml/hr |
| Procainamide | 2 grams in 500 ml D5W (remove equal amt D5W as procainamide added) | 4 mg/ml | |
| NitroGLYCERIN | 50 mg in 250 ml D5W (Premix Glass) | 200 mcg/ml | <i>For this group:</i> If mcg ordered: Then $(? \text{ mcg/conc}) \times 60 = ? \text{ ml/hr (rate)}$ |
| NORepinephrine (Levophed) | 4 mg in 250 ml D5W | 16 mcg/ml | If ml/hr (rate) ordered: Then $(? \text{ ml/hr} \times ? \text{ conc}) / 60 = ? \text{ mcg/min}$ |
| Heparin | 25,000 units in 250 ml D5W (Premix) | 100 units/ml | |
| Epinephrine | 5 mg in 500 ml NS | 10 mcg/ml | |
| Insulin (Regular) | 100 units in 100 ml NS | 1 unit/ml | |
| Amlodarone (Cordarone) | 150 mg in 100 ml D5W (Premix) 360 mg in 200 ml D5W (Premix) | 1.5 mg/ml 1.8 mg/ml | Loading dose of 150 mg over 10 min 1 mg /min for 6 hours = 34 ml/hr 0.5 mg/min for 16+ hours = 17 ml/hr |
| Diprivan 1% (Propofol) | 1000 mg in 100 ml (Premix) | 10 mg/ml | 5 mcg - 50 mcg/kg/min change tubing and bottle every 12 hours |
| Trandate/Normodyne (Labetolol) | 200 mg in 160 ml D5W (remove equal amt D5W as labetalol added) | 1 mg/ml | 2 mg/minute and titrate |
| Cardizem (Diltiazem) | 125 mg in 100 ml NS | 1 mg/ml | Maintenance infusion: Initial rate of 10 mg/hr may increase in 5 mg/hr increments up to 15 mg/hr (some patients may respond to an initial rate of 5 mg/hr) |

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|--|---|---------------|--|
| Methylprednisolone (Solu-Medrol) | 30 mg/kg in 50 ml D5W (loading dose) 5.4 mg/kg in D5W (maintenance dose) | | administer loading dose over 15 minutes wait 45 minutes then begin maintenance dose total volume should be 230 ml administer over 23 hours (10 ml/hr) |
| Neo-Synephrine (Phenylephrine) | 10 mg in 250 ml NS | 40 mcg/ml | initial rate is 100-180 mcg/min then decrease to 40-80 mcg/min when BP stabilizes If mcg/min ordered: Then (? mcg/min x 60)/? mcg/ml = _____ ml/hr (rate) |
| Potassium Chloride 2 mEq/ml | 20 mEq in 100 ml NS or D5W (peripheral line) 40 mEq in 250 ml NS or D5W (peripheral line) 40 mEq in 100 ml NS or D5W (central line only) 2 ml of Lidocaine 1% may be added to each bag | | Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 55 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 65 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 30 ml/hr |
| Potassium Phosphate 4.4 mEq/ml potassium 3 mM/ml phosphorus | 20 mEq in 100 ml water for injection (Premix) 40 mEq in 250 ml NS or D5W (peripheral line) 40 mEq in 100 ml NS or D5W (central line only) 13 mM in 100 ml NS or D5W (peripheral line) 27 mM in 250 ml NS or D5W (peripheral line) 27 mM in 100 ml NS or D5W (central line only) 2 ml of Lidocaine 1% may be added to each bag | | Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 52 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 64 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 27 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 52 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 64 ml/hr Maximum rate of 10 mEq/hour = 27 ml/hr |
| Banana Bag | 0.9 % NS 1000 ml MVI 1 amp Thiamine 100 mg Folic Acid 1 mg | | |

Rapid Sequence Intubation

- **Equipment:**
- Intubation Equipment available in Drawer # 2 of any crash cart
- Contents of Respiratory Tray
- Laryngoscope Handle in middle
- Oral and Nasal Airways in middle
- End cap Co2 detector in middle
- Laryngoscope blades with size L side
- Flexible Suction catheter L side
- ET Tubes with size on PKG R side



Rapid Sequence Intubation

- Medications:
- Physicians Intubation Box in Omnicel
- Propofol
- Vecuronium (Norcuron)
- Etomidate
- Omnicel Central and ER - Versed
- Omnicel ER Only - Ketamine
- Omnicel frige Central and ER
- Succinylcholine (Succs)
- Omnicel frige ER only
- Rocuronium (Roc)



Chest Tube Placement

- **Equipment:**
- Sterile Chest tube Tray located in covered shelves in trauma 1 in the Emergency Department.
- Thora-Seal Collection Chamber & Chest tubes located in covered shelves in trauma 1 in the Emergency Department or ICU supply room.
- Betadine, Sterile gloves for physician
- Lidocaine
- 10 cc syringe



Chest Tube Placement

- **Current Thora-Seal set up:**
- Put sterile water in suction chamber to ordered cm h₂O by physician
- Fill water seal chamber to line with sterile water
- Note: 2 250 ml bottles of sterile water is usually enough for both chambers.
- Attach suction tubing to wall suction
- Have connection tube ready to hook to chest tube.



Central Line Placement

- **Equipment:**
- Arrow multi=Lumen CVC catheter Kit with 3 lumen, Located in ICU supply room and the ER supply room.
- 3 Ultrasite end valves for the end of each lumen. , Located in ICU supply room and ER supply room.
- Have 3 10 cc saline flushes available.



Arterial Line Placement

- **Equipment:**
- Radial Artery catheterization Kit
- Pressure Transducer
- Pressure transducer Cable
- 500 cc bag NS
- Pressure infuser
- Transducer Holder and Clamp
- All Equipment in ICU Supply Room



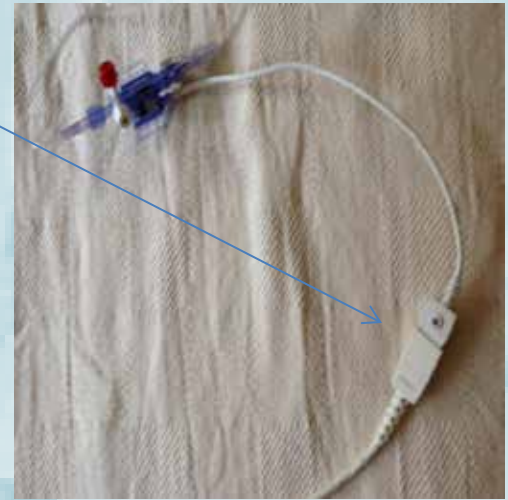
Arterial Line Placement

- Spike NS Bag with transducer line and prime .
- Place NS Bag in pressure infuser and pump up infuser to Green line (300 mmhg).
- Place transducer holder on IV pole with clamp and place at level of Phlebostatic axis.



Arterial Line Placement

- Plug Transducer cable into transducer on A line
- Plug other end of transducer cable into top port on cardiac monitor.



Arterial Line Placement

- Upon plugging transducer cable into monitor the red ABP wave form will appear.
- Open transducer chamber to atmosphere and press zero button on monitor. then open valve to patient
- Hook Transducer line to A line after placed by physician.



ML/HR Dose Calculations

- Amount of Fluid over a period of time:

$$\frac{\# \text{ ml}}{\# \text{ min}} \times \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ ml/hr}$$

- IV Solution with medication ml/hr:

$$\frac{\# \text{ ml}}{\text{Amount of med}} \times \frac{\text{ordered med}}{\text{hr}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ ml/hr}$$

- mcg/kg/min calculation:

$$\frac{250 \text{ ml}}{400 \text{ mg}} \times \frac{? \text{ mcg}}{\text{kg/min}} \times \frac{\text{kg}}{1} \times \frac{1 \text{ mg}}{1000 \text{ mcg}} \times \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ ml/hr}$$

Conclusion

Thank You And
keep up the good work
Our Patients are Counting
On Us

