

## IV DRUGS ADMINISTERED ONLY BY MEDICAL STAFF OR MET LIAISON NURSE on GENERAL WARDS (ADULTS)

Listing is by alphabetical generic drug name, except antivenoms which are listed as a class.

- All drugs are to be administered by volumetric pump or syringe pump, following BHS Drug Guidelines where they exist. For drugs without a guideline check the Australian Injectable Drugs Handbook- current edition ('Yellow Book') for further information, including if any other monitoring (e.g. for anaphylaxis) is required.
- All patients require monitoring for any adverse reaction arising from the IV administration of any drug.

### Exclusions

- MET calls, Code Blue and Obstetric emergency

### Drugs not listed;

- Chemotherapeutic drugs- contact Oncology
- Radiology specific pharmaceuticals (e.g. contrasts) – contact Radiology for further information

| Class | Medical Role   | Nursing Allocation and Monitoring  | Drug  |
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| E     | Medical Registrar within unit or at bedside (preferable) on General Ward. Medical Registrar determines when patient returns to the acute ward Nursing ratio. | Continuous ECG monitoring by transportable monitor and blood pressure monitoring <u>mandatory</u> . 1:1 care by MET Liaison Nurse under supervision of Medical Registrar in non MET call situation. After stabilisation, return to acute ward ratio. | <b>Adenosine</b> (Medical Registrar must be at bedside) - See Drug Guideline<br><b>Amiodarone</b> (bolus only)- See Drug Guideline<br><b>Metoprolol</b> (bolus only)    |
| F     | Critical Care (ICU, ED or Anaesthetics) Registrar administering a bolus treatment  | Acute ward ratio – RN.   | <b>Atropine</b> (bolus)<br><b>Clonidine</b> (bolus)<br><b>Ephedrine</b> (bolus)<br><b>Glycopyrronium bromide (Glycopyrrolate)</b> (bolus)<br><b>Metaraminol</b> (bolus) |

This document does not list all intravenous medications available on the market. The document will be updated periodically to reflect intravenous medications routinely stocked by BHS. Seek pharmacist advice for any unlisted drugs.