INTRANOVENOUS MEDICATIONS

Policy: The Pharmacy is responsible for preparing and labeling non-emergency intravenous solutions.

1. The following medications may be administered IV Push by RNs on General Care Units:

- Bumetanide – (Bumex)
- Cimetidine – (Tagamet)
- D25W – (Dextrose 25% in water)
- D50W – (Dextrose 59% in water)
- Dexamethasone Sod. Phosphate
- Diazepam - (Valium)
- Diphenhydramine – (Benadryl)
- Dolasetron – (Anzemet)
- Droperidol – (Inapsine)
- Enalapril – (Vasotec)
- Famotidine – (Pepcid)
- Flumazenil – (Romazicon)
- Furosemide - (Lasix)
- Granisetron - (Kytril)
- Heparin – (Liquaemin)
- Hydrocortisone Sod. Succinate – (Solu-Cortef)
- Hydromorphone Hydrochloride – (Dilaudid)
- Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate – (Solu-Medrol)

Atropine and epinephrine may be administered provided the RN is competent in Arrhythmia recognition and the patient is cardiac monitored. (Refer to Nursing Policy)

2. IV Flushes
   Unless otherwise ordered by the physician, 1-3ml of normal saline shall be used as the flush for locks on adult nursing units. Heparin flush should continue to be utilized with pediatric patients unless otherwise ordered by the physician.

3. Catheter Clearance 2mgs of alteplase. Dosing ranges of 2-5mg are acceptable.

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