West of Scotland ORAL/ OTHER ROUTE Drug Monographs

Hydralazine

FORM 20mg injection. This injection may be given orally after reconstitution and

dilution (see below)

An oral suspension may be available from special order manufacturers via

pharmacy.

INDICATION Treatment of Hypertension

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate	250 - 500 micrograms/kg/dose increased as necessary to maximum of 2-3mg/kg 8 hourly	2-3 times daily	Oral
1 – 6 months	250 - 500 micrograms/kg/dose increased as necessary to maximum of 7.5mg/kg/ day	2-3 times daily	Oral

RECONSTITUTION Reconstitute 20mg ampoule with 1ml Water for Injection

DILUTION Dilute resulting solution (20mg/ml) up to 20ml with water for injection

Resulting Solution1mg/ml

METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION

The required dose should be given orally

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

STORAGE Injection for oral administration is intended for immediate use. Any

unused solution should be discarded.

LICENSED STATUS Not licensed to be given orally

Not licensed for use in children

LINKS BNF for Children: / Electronic Medicines Compendium

APPLICABLE POLICIES West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines:

Consult local policy if applicable

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Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.

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