

HNE AREA Intensive Care

Approved For: JHH and CMN ICU's and JHH HDU

SALBUTAMOL I.V.

Trade Name: VENTOLIN OBSTETRIC

Presentation:

Indications: Severe asthma

Administration: 5mls(1 amp or 5mg) of 'ventolin obstetric' made up to 50mls with N. saline or 5% dextrose

RATE: 6mls/hr =10mcg/min (starting rate) , 12mls/hr=20mcg/min (usually maximum)

Infusion should be pulse rate limited. (Up to about 130 BPM is reasonable if no cardiac disease). Occasionally this may require up to 30mls/hr of this infusion solution.

Dose

Precautions Potassium is driven into the cell by high dose salbutamol infusion. Potassium replacement should be considered.

Can be given centrally or peripherally by this regime

Compatibilities: **Incompatibility:** None Known

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