

KIDS Clinical Guideline - Drug dose calculator



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Weight (kg): 0.5

Name:

All drugs to be given by intravenous route unless otherwise stated. It is the responsibility of the clinician to ensure drugs are used appropriately according to the clinical situation and doses double checked. KIDS/NTS does not accept any liability.

Weight checked by: Name..... Signed..... Prescriber : Name..... Signed.....

Single drug doses:	
Induction agents for intubation	
Ketamine (2 mg/kg)	1mg
Thiopentone (2-4 mg/kg)	1 - 2mg
Fentanyl (1-5 micrograms/kg)	0.5 - 2.5micrograms
Propofol (2-5 mg/kg)	1 - 2.5mg
Muscle relaxants for intubation	
Suxamethonium (Weight <10kg: 2mg/kg)	1mg
Suxamethonium (Weight >=10kg: 1mg/kg)	-
Rocuronium (1mg/kg)	0.5mg
Vecuronium (0.1mg/kg)	0.05 mg
Emergency drugs for cardiac arrest	
Adrenaline 1:10,000 (0.1ml/kg)	0.05ml
Atropine (20micrograms/kg)	100micrograms
Adenosine (0.1 - 0.5 mg/kg)	0.05 - 0.25mg
Amiodarone (5mg/kg)	2.5mg
Calcium gluconate 10% (0.5ml/kg)	0.25ml
Sodium Bicarbonate 8.4% (1ml/kg)	0.5ml
Anticonvulsants and drugs for raised ICP	
Lorazepam (0.1mg/kg)	0.05mg
Phenytoin (20mg/kg - over 20 mins)	10mg
Phenobarbitone (20mg/kg)	10mg
Paraldehyde 50%:Olive oil 50% (0.8ml/kg)	0ml PR
Mannitol dose (0.25 - 0.5 g/kg)	0 - 0grams
Mannitol volume Peripheral: 10% solution	1 - 3 ml
Mannitol volume Central: 20% solution	1 - 1 ml
3% saline (3ml/kg)	2ml

Drug doses for infusion:				Total		
Sedation	Amount	Diluent - see key*	Volume	Rate	Dose	
Morphine	0.5mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.5 - 2 ml/hr	10-40micrograms/kg/h	
Midazolam	1.5mg	D5/D10/DS/NS	50ml	0.5 - 3 ml/hr	0.5-3 micrograms/kg/min	
Paralysis						
Rocuronium	Neat solution 100mg in 10ml			0.03 - 0.05 ml/hr	0.6 - 1mg/kg/h	
Vecuronium	3mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.5 - 2ml/hr	1 - 4micrograms/kg/min	
Vasoactive drugs						
Dopamine	<i>Peripheral</i> 7.5mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	1 - 4 ml/hr	5 - 20micrograms/kg/min	
	<i>Central</i> 7.5mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	1 - 4 ml/hr	5 - 20micrograms/kg/min	
Dobutamine	<i>Peripheral</i> 7.5mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	1 - 4 ml/hr	5 - 20micrograms/kg/min	
	<i>Central</i> 7.5mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	1 - 4 ml/hr	5 - 20micrograms/kg/min	
Adrenaline	<i>Peripheral</i> 0.15mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.1 - 5ml/hr	0.01 - 0.5micrograms/kg/min	
	<i>Central</i> 0.15mg	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.1 - 5 ml/hr	0.01 - 0.5micrograms/kg/min	
Noradrenaline	<i>Central</i> 0.15mg	D5/DS	50ml	0.1 - 5 ml/hr	0.01 -0.5micrograms/kg/min	
Ductal patency						
Alprostadil (E1)	50micrograms	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.2 - 0.6 ml/hr	5 - 20nanograms/kg/min	
Dinoprostone (E2)	50micrograms	D5/D10/NS	50ml	0.2 - 0.6 ml/hr	5 - 20nanograms/kg/min	
Asthma drugs						
Salbutamol	For Salbutamol bolus dose please refer to BNFC					
	<i>Infusion Peripheral</i> 10mg	D5/NS	50ml	0.2 - 0.3 ml/hr	1 - 2micrograms/kg/min	
	<i>Infusion Central</i> 25mg	D5/NS	50ml	0.1 - 0.1 ml/hr	1 - 2micrograms/kg/min	
Aminophylline	Loading dose: 2.5mg over 20 minutes; use 500mg/500ml concentration as per infusion					
Use ideal wt if obese	500 mg	D5	500ml	0.5 ml/hr	1mg/kg/h	
If patient is aged greater than 12 years please refer to BNFC for aminophylline dosing						
Magnesium sulphate 50%	0.04 ml	D5/NS	1 ml	3 ml/hr	20 mg over 20 mins	
DKA drugs Note: decimal point below						
Insulin	1.3units	D5/D10/NS	50ml	2 ml/hr	0.1units/kg/h	

*Diluent key: D5 = 5% glucose D10 = 10% glucose NS = 0.9% saline DS - 0.45% saline and 5% glucose