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| <b>DRUG:</b>                    | <b>BCG (BACILLUS CALMETTE-GUÉRIN) VACCINE</b>  |
| <b>PRESENTATION:</b>            | Multidose vial plus diluent.   |
| <b>ACTION &amp; INDICATION:</b> | Suspension of living organisms of an attenuated strain of Mycobacterium bovis (Bacillus Calmette-Guérin). For immunisation against tuberculosis  |
| <b>DOSE:</b>                    | For infants under 12 months;<br>0.05mL   |
| <b>PREPARATION:</b>             | Reconstitute powder in vial with 1.5mL of accompanying phosphate buffered saline diluent.  |
| <b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>          | <p><b>INTRADERMAL INJECTION:</b> Administer above the insertion of the deltoid muscle of the right arm</p> <p><b>To be given by appropriately trained and certified health care providers only. Infants may be referred to the Perth Chest Clinic for vaccination if trained staff is not available.</b></p> <p>Avoid inhalation of dried vaccine.<br/>If alcohol is used to swab skin, or the rubber bung of vial, it must be allowed to evaporate before proceeding.</p> |
| <b>COMMENTS:</b>                | Refrigerate reconstituted solution.<br>Discard 8 hours after reconstitution.<br>Discard contents into "sharps" container after use   |
| <b>REFERENCES:</b>              | NH&MRC. The Australian Immunisation Handbook 9 <sup>th</sup> Ed  |
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