



CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE

VTE: Heparin therapy: Intravenous

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Key points

1. If a woman requires intravenous (IV) heparin therapy at KEMH, it is to be supervised by a Haematologist/Physician.
2. The IV heparin is to be prescribed on the Anticoagulation Medication Chart MR 810.11.
3. The initial bolus (if required) and starting infusion rate are to be advised by Haematologist /Physician.
4. The APTT is to be tested within 6 hours of commencing IV heparin or as advised by Haematologist/Physician.
5. The Haematologist/Physician is to be contacted with the APTT result and will advise on infusion rate and further APTT tests. They will also advise on target APTT for the patient.

Related WNHS policies, procedures and guidelines

- Clinical Guidelines, Pharmacy: [Heparin](#)
- [Pharmacy Learning Hub](#) - [WA Anticoagulation Medication Chart Presentation Slides](#)
- Department of Health WA: [WA Anticoagulation Medication Chart](#) (website): [Guidelines for the WA Anticoagulation Medication Chart](#) (WA AMC)

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