





ADULT

VASOPRESSIN (ARGIPRESSIN)

This document should be read in conjunction with this [DISCLAIMER](#)

Presentation	Ampoule: 1mg/mL (equivalent to 20units/mL)
Dose and Administration	Refer to relevant KEMH Clinical Guidelines and Policies for appropriate dose regime (link below)
Pregnancy	1st Trimester: Consider alternative 2nd Trimester: Consider alternative 3rd Trimester: Consider alternative
Breastfeeding	Considered safe to use
Monitoring	Extravasation may cause tissue necrosis Monitor UECs especially sodium (causes hyponatraemia due to water retention)
Clinical Guidelines and Policies	Gynaecology (Non-oncological)
References	<p>Australian Medicines Handbook. Vasopressin. In: Australian Medicines Handbook [Internet]. Adelaide (South Australia): Australian Medicines Handbook; 2017 [cited 2017 Oct 12]. Available from: https://amhonline.amh.net.au/</p> <p>MIMS Australia. Argipressin. In: MIMS Online [Internet]. St Leonards (New South Wales): MIMS Australia; 2016 [cited 2017 Oct 12]. Available from: https://www.mimsonline.com.au</p> <p>The Royal Women's Hospital. Vasopressin. In: Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Medicines Guide [Internet]. Parkville (Victoria): The Royal Women's Hospital; 2016 [cited 2017 Oct 12]. Available from: https://thewomenspbmg.org.au/</p> <p>Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia. Vasopressin. In: Australian Injectable Drugs Handbook [Internet]. [St Leonards, New South Wales]: Health Communication Network; 2017 [cited 2017 Oct 12]. Available from: http://aidh.hcn.com.au</p>

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