





ADULT Medication Monograph

GLYCEROL SUPPOSITORIES

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[Formulary: Unrestricted](#)

Class	Laxatives
Presentation	Rectal Suppository: 2.8g
Storage	Store at room temperature, below 25°C
Dose	Insert ONE adult suppository into the rectum ONCE daily when required
Administration	<u>Constipation</u> Rectal: Insert ONE adult suppository into the rectum and allow it to remain for 15-30 minutes (it is not necessary for the entire suppository to melt to obtain satisfactory results).
Pregnancy	1st Trimester: Safe to use 2nd Trimester: Safe to use 3rd Trimester: Safe to use
Breastfeeding	Safe to use
Monitoring	Onset of action is 5 to 30 minutes
Clinical Guidelines and Policies	KEMH Clinical Practice Guidelines: Bowel Care Palliative Care KEMH Pharmaceutical & Medicines Management Guidelines: KEMH Pharmaceutical & Medicines Management Guideline: Medication Administration
References	Australian Medicines Handbook. Glycerol Suppositories. In: Australian Medicines Handbook [Internet]. Adelaide (South Australia): Australian Medicines Handbook; 2020 [cited 2020 Mar 31]. Available from: https://amhonline.amh.net.au/

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