Cardizem Administration



IV Push or Drip?



WHAT: Diltiazem HCL (Cardizem) is a Class IV antiarrhthmic agent, Calcium Channel Blocker. It decreases automaticity in the SA node and prolongs refractoriness in the AV node. This medication is used as a rate control medication for Tachydysrhythmias.

WHEN: REMS II-04.2: Tachycardia

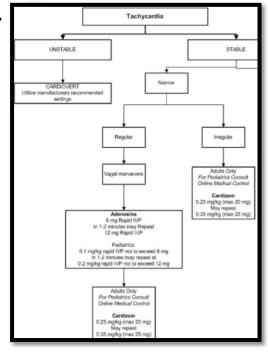


REMS VI-10.0: Medication Section



- 1) Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter with a ventricular response >120 bpm.
- 2) PSVT refractory to vagal maneuvers and Adenosine

DOSE: 1st Dose-0.25mg/kg (max 20mg) over 2min. 2nd Dose (after 15min)-0.35mg/kg (max 25mg) over 2min



HOW SUPPLIED & DELIVERED:

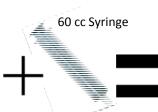




Mini-Spike



60 gtt IV set W/ Stopcock



The ability to deliver IV Bolus administration of

Diltiazem!!!

Mini-Spike Method

- -Requires mini-spike to be placed THROUGH rubber stopper.
- -No IV tubing necessary
- -Requires no add'l equipment



OR



Microdrip Method

- -Requires 60 gtt set with 3 way stopcock attached to it.
- -Stopcock allows for drawing up medication as there is no med port on Add-vantage bag.