



ADULT MEDICATION GUIDELINE

DROPERIDOL

Scope (Staff):	All WNHS Staff
Scope (Area):	Obstetrics and Gynaecology

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Medication Class

Antipsychotic agent

Presentation

Form:

Ampoule: 2.5mg/mL

Storage

Store at room temperature, below 25°C. Protect from light

Dose

Indication 1: Post-operative nausea and vomiting (3rd line therapy)

Route: IV

Dose: 500microg 6 hourly PRN (max 2000microg/24hours)

Indication 2: Acute arousal and agitation

Route/dose: IM

[Refer to KEMH Management of Mental Health Emergency Guideline.](#)

Administration

Refer to the Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting Chart MR810.02 or the [Australian Injectable Drugs Handbook](#)

Monitoring

Post-procedural nausea and vomiting: improvement of symptoms

For antipsychotics:

Weight, BP, serum lipids, BGLs, ECG (for QT interval prolongation), smoking status. For more information refer to: [NPS Antipsychotic Monitoring Tool](#)

Pregnancy

1st Trimester: **Monitoring required**

2nd Trimester: **Monitoring required**

3rd Trimester: **Monitoring required**

Breastfeeding

Monitoring required

Related Policies, Procedures & Guidelines

WNHS Clinical Practice Guidelines:

[High Risk Medicines](#)

[Mental Health Emergency, Management of](#)

[KEMH Mental Health Emergency File](#)

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