

**Home Health VNA**  
**IV Medication Clinical Fact Sheet**

NOTE: THIS IS A PART B DRUG UNDER THE NEW HIT BENEFIT

DO NOT ACCEPT REFERRAL FOR MEDICARE PATIENT UNLESS PATIENT HAS ADDITIONAL SKILLED NEEDS

REFERRAL SOURCE MUST MAKE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PATIENT'S HOME INFUSION NEEDS

IV Medication:           Milrinone/Primacor           Risk Level:     1    

Med Class:                           Inotropic                          

Common Uses:  
Labs to Monitor:

Advanced heart disease - palliation,  
organ transplant waiting list

CMP, Mg, PO4, LFTs

Instructions/Precautions:

Advance Directives/ Responsible caregiver  
required; given as continuous infusion;  
back up pump required. Parameters from  
MD for BP, HR and weights. Monitor BP  
including orthostatic BP, urinary output,  
fluid and electrolyte changes, dyspnea and  
↑ fatigue, Arrhythmias, Tachycardia. Reduce  
rate or stop infusion for significant drop in  
BP and notify MD immediately.

First Dose Allowed:  
Central Line Only:  
IV Push:  
Vesicant:

N  
 Y  
 N  
 N

See Procedure Manual:           Med Inotropic          

**\*\* Note: Use specific interventions in HW to create POC under IV Medications - Inotropic Meds**  
**Use Patient Education Materials specific for Milrinone in your patient/caregiver teaching**

Notes: Only drugs listed as First Dose Allowed may be given in the home as a first dose and are considered for a first dose on a case by case basis by the IV Program Manager  
The IV Manager and/or Clinical Director must be consulted before a first dose referral is accepted

Risk Levels: n/a = Routinely given; Clinician must be approved to administer IV medications  
1= IV Program Mgr or Clinical Director approval before referral is accepted  
2= IV Program Mgr notification; Clinicians must review Special Instructions