

FAR WEST LHD - SUBCUTANEOUS SYRINGE DRIVER OBSERVATION CHART

Complete all details or affix patient label here

FAMILY NAME: MRN:

GIVEN NAME: ☐ Male ☐ Female

DOB:

ADDRESS:

MO: Location/Ward:

ASSESS PATIENT'S SYMPTOMS AND COMPLETE CHART:

- Before commencing the syringe driver, and each time the syringe driver is reloaded
- When the giving set is resited
- Whilst the infusion is in progress: INPATIENT - every 4 hours / COMMUNITY - each visit

Document patient's symptoms and action taken, if required, in medical records

INPATIENT SETTING:

Frequency of Checks: Every 4 hours

Site Check: 0= New; 1= NAD; 2= Red; 3= Inflamed/Swollen; 4= Leakage

NOTE: Action required if site red, inflamed, swollen or leaking

Line Check: Check solution in line: 0 = New, 1= NAD; 2= Crystallised/cloudy

NOTE: Action required if solution in line crystallised and/or cloudy

For NIKI T34 - Battery: Change when <10%

COMMUNITY SETTING:

Frequency of Checks: Each visit

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For NIKI T34 - Battery: Change when <20%

DATE	TIME	SITE LOCATION	SITE CHECK		LINE CHECK		VTBI (Volume to be Infused) (mLs)	VI (Volume Infused) (mLs)	INFUSION RATE (mLs/hr)	FOR NIKI T34 SYRINGE DRIVERS ONLY			SIGN	PRINT NAME
			0 - 4	Action, if required	0 - 2	Action, if required				Battery %	Keypad Locked	Pump Delivering and Light Flashing		
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- Compatibility data supports the combination of medications in *FWLHD Anticipatory Prescribing Recommendations for the Last Days of Life* in a **single** syringe driver when diluted to maximum volume with 0.9% sodium chloride
- A second syringe driver may be required for larger volume infusions or incompatible drug combinations; **a separate observation chart should be used for each syringe driver used**
- *FWLHD NIKI T34 Operating Guidelines* must be followed when prescribing and administering medications via a subcutaneous syringe driver
- **If required, seek advice regarding drug combinations, compatibility data and volumes used in subcutaneous syringe drivers from Specialist Palliative Care Team or Palliative Care Therapeutic Guidelines (www.tg.org.au)**

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