

Medication Safety During COVID-19

Calculating Infusion Flow Rate:

Volume:

Total Volume/# of hours for infusion = mL/hr

Example:

1000mL/8 hours = 125 mL/hr

Drops/minute: find number drops/mL on administration set package (drop factor)

mL/hr X drop factor of set/60 (min in an hour) = drops/min

Example:

125 mL X 10 /60 = 21 drops/min (20.83 drops rounded off)

Resources

ISMP website: www.ismp.org/covid-19-resources

ECRI website: www.ecri.org/coronavirus-covid-19

Canadian Vascular Access Association (CVAA): www.cvaa.info

Nursing Center (Lippincott): [Nursing Centre Med Errors](#)

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