



REGIONAL ADULT PARENTERAL DRUG MONOGRAPH

GENERIC NAME

promethazine



Effective Date: Mar12-2014 Revised Date: Jan16 2019	CLASSIFICATION Antiemetic, Antihistamine	OTHER NAMES Phenergan	PAGE 1 of 1
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ADMINISTRATION POLICY:

IV Bolus - Not recommended
IV Infusion - May be administered by a nurse
IM Injection - May be administered by a nurse
Subcut - Do not administer

RECONSTITUTION/DILUTION/ADMINISTRATION:

Available as: 25 mg/mL ampoule

IV Infusion: Dilute in 50 mL normal saline and administer SLOWLY over 20 to 30 minutes

DOSAGE:

Usual: 6.25 to 25 mg every 4 to 6 hours as needed

Maximum rate: 25 mg/minute

Maximum concentration: 25 mg/mL

Maximum single dose: 25 mg

STABILITY/COMPATIBILITY:

Stability of Final Admixture: 24 hours at room temperature

Compatibility: Compatible with normal saline, D5W, dextrose-saline solutions, Lactated Ringer

PRECAUTIONS, POTENTIAL ADVERSE REACTIONS:

- IV administration is NOT the preferred route and has been associated with severe tissue damage
- IM is the preferred route
- CNS depression, respiratory and vasomotor collapse
- Sedation, confusion, orthostatic hypotension with too rapid infusion

ADDITIONAL NOTES AND NURSING CONSIDERATIONS:

- Discontinue immediately if burning or pain occurs with administration
- Monitor blood pressure and heart rate and maintain patients in supine position for 30 minutes to avoid postural hypotension
- Observe the IV site during administration