



# Medications – Dosing by Weight

## This Quick Reference Guide will explain how to:

Order medications that are dosed by weight in the catalogue

1. Go to the Table of Contents **Orders and Referrals** **+ Add** and click **+Add**.

2. Search for the medication.

3. The **Dosage Calculator** will appear:

- a. Note the final dose has been automatically calculated based on the patient's **latest** weight (shown in the blue banner bar)

**Weight: 15kg 09/07/2025 14:36**

- b. If the user edits the '**Actual weight**' field, the final dose will **automatically change** accordingly. The '**Actual weight**' field **should** only be modified if the weight in the banner bar is not up to date. The patient's weight in the banner bar needs to be updated immediately afterwards.

## 4. Using Adjusted Weight

- a. To use a weight that is **different** from the actual weight, enter new weight into '**Adjusted weight**' field. The final dose will **automatically change** accordingly.
- b. The '**Adjustment**' drop down can also be used to select **Ideal Body Weight**, **Lean Body Weight** or **Adjusted Body Weight**.

5. Click **Apply Dose** and review order.

6. Sign for the order, refresh screen and check the MAR.

**paracetamol (paracetamol oral liquid)**  
150 mg, Oral, Suspension, QID, Max dose per 24 hours: 4 doses, (Neonatal dose), First dose 09/07/2025 18:00:00  
Target Dose: paracetamol oral liquid 10 mg/kg (Actual Dose: 10 mg/kg) 09/07/2025 1...