# Perioperative – Continuous Infusions From Theatre to ICU/Ward



Digital Health
Quick Reference Guide

### This Quick Reference Guide will explain how to:

Manage Continuous Infusions coming out of theatre to the ICU/Ward (not via PACU)

#### **Definitions:**

SAA - SurgiNet Anaesthesia Application

MAR - Medication Administration Record

**OT** – Operating Theatre

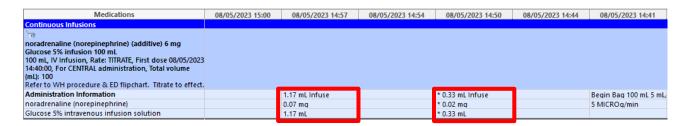
#### Continuous infusion commenced in theatre

- 1. Continuous infusion is charted on SAA during the case
- The volumes are updated by SAA into the MAR as the case is finalised
- 3. The infusion will appear in grey on the MAR/MAR Summary in a discontinued state with (ANES) suffixed
- On handover, the receiving care team/ICU team will determine if infusion is further required and to chart a new order on the MAR as needed



#### Continuous infusions continued into theatre from ward/ICU

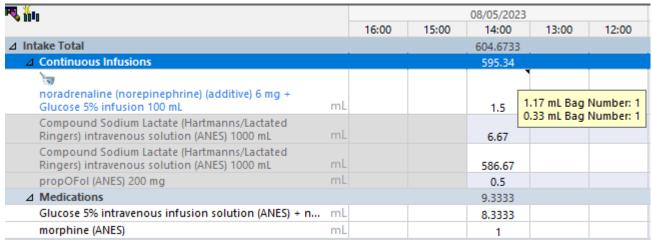
- 1. Patient arrives to OT with infusions running; No change to infusion rate on MAR required
- 2. Anaesthetist continues infusion into SAA using the Continuing Orders dialog box
- 3. Anaesthetist makes any modifications as required in SAA during the case
- 4. Once the case is finalized, the volumes administered are updated by SAA into the MAR on the existing order.



5. Medication and Infusion volumes administered in theatre are also visible on the Fluid Balance chart







6. Upon handover and review by the receiving care team, nursing staff should then set the rate on the MAR to reflect the current rate on the alaris pump when the patient returns to the ICU/Ward



## Important -The rate of infusion may have changed intra-operatively

• It is imperative that the receiving care team review the infusion rate post procedure as the original order on the MAR would not have been modified



# Handy Hint – Boluses given from an existing infusion intra-operatively

- No ANES suffix on MAR / MAR Summary
- Hover over infusion volume to confirm it was given by the Anaesthetist

