


Medications – Different Routes of Administration for the Same Medication



Key messages:

- Unlike paper charts, the EMR will NOT allow prescribers to document two alternative routes of administration for ONE order (e.g., oral/IV) therefore two separate Unlike orders are required. An orderset is the safest way to do this.

1. To order, search terms “Oral/IV” or “multi route” in inpatient prescribing to shortlist results
2. Select appropriate orderset. **Example:**  METOCLOPRAMIDE Adult - oral/IV (multi route)
3. Select **both** components within the chosen option

Date	Medication (Print Generic Name)	Route	Dose	Hourly frequency	PRN	Max dose/24 hrs
2/10	PARACETAMOL	PO/IV	1g	Hourly		4g
Indication		Pharmacy		Prescriber Signature		
pain or fever		Pharmacy		Print your surname		
X		X		Contact		

METOCLOPRAMIDE Adult - oral/IV (multi route) (Initiated Pending)	
*** To order two different routes of administration for Metoclopramide, select option 1 <u>OR</u> 2 ***	
1) Oral REGULAR and IV PRN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	metoclopramide 10 mg, Oral, Tablet, TDS Alternate route available - see PRN order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	metoclopramide 10 mg, IV, Ampoule, TDS, PRN nausea / vomiting Oral route (preferred in regular order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.
2) PRN ONLY - Oral and IV	
<input type="checkbox"/>	metoclopramide 10 mg, Oral, Tablet, TDS, PRN nausea / vomiting Alternate route available - see OTHER order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.
<input type="checkbox"/>	metoclopramide 10 mg, IV, Ampoule, TDS, PRN nausea / vomiting Alternate route available - see OTHER order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.

4. Sign order and check MAR

metoclopramide 10 mg, Oral, Tablet, TDS, First dose 28/08/2019 20:00:00 Alternate route available - see PRN order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.			
metoclopramide			* 10 mg
PRN metoclopramide 10 mg, IV, Ampoule, TDS, PRN for nausea / vomiting, First dose 28/08/2019 15:56:00 Oral route (preferred in regular order. Max combined dose: 30mg in 24 hours.		PRN	10 mg Last given: 28/08/2019 16:04 AEST
metoclopramide			



Important

- Nursing staff be aware of the combined maximum daily dose and when the last dose was given