

Remdesivir (Veklury) Verification Checklist for Pharmacy

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The verification checklist is based on the HPH COVID-19 Treatment Protocol. Due to limited supply and prior experience with remdesivir, HPH criteria for use, treatment duration, and infusion time/monitoring differs from the FDA EUA.

Ordering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ID approval <input type="checkbox"/> Patient meets criteria for use <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suspected or laboratory confirmed SARS-CoV-2 - SpO2 ≤ 94% on room air, OR - Requiring supplemental oxygen, OR - Mechanical ventilation ≤72 hours <input type="checkbox"/> Dose appropriate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Adults & Peds ≥40kg</u>: 200mg IV on Day 1, then 100mg IV daily on Days 2-5 <u>Peds 3.5-<40kg</u>: 5mg/kg IV on Day 1, then 2.5mg/kg IV daily on Days 2-5 <input type="checkbox"/> Duration appropriate – 5 days <input type="checkbox"/> Required baseline labs - results available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adults/peds >28 days: eGFR - Full term neonates (7-28 days old): SCr - All patients: Hepatic labs <input type="checkbox"/> Notify Jen Dacumos (783-1273) and Doug Kwock (223-9501)
Special Populations	<p>Pregnancy – Use only if potential benefit > potential risk to mother and fetus</p> <p>Renal impairment – Not recommended in adult and pediatric patients >28 days with eGFR <30ml/min or in full term neonates (7-28 days old) with SCr ≥1 mg/dl unless potential benefit > potential risk</p> <p>Hepatic impairment - Do not initiate if ALT ≥5x ULN at baseline. Discontinue if ALT ≥5x ULN during treatment (may restart when ALT <5x ULN) or ALT elevation accompanied with s/sx liver inflammation or increasing conjugated bili, alk phos, or INR.</p>
Dispensing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prior to mixing – Physician documentation of <i>.remdesivir</i> smartphrase <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate dosage form <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Adults & Peds ≥40kg</u>: Lyophilized powder or injection solution <u>Peds 3.5-<40kg</u>: Lyophilized powder only <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare just prior to due time when possible – no preservative or bacteriostatic agent <input type="checkbox"/> Diluted infusion solution may be stored for up to 4h at room temp or 24h refrigerated <input type="checkbox"/> Log dispense on drug accountability log
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Table 2 (Non-Antineoplastic) Hazardous Drug – RN wears chemo gown + 2 chemo gloves; completed IV bag and supplies disposed of according to facility disposal waste stream for Table 2 Hazardous Drugs - Requires RN dual sign off on MAR (!!) - Infuse over 2 hours

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patient on Telemetry status - Monitor BP and HR at the start of infusion, q15min x 2, q30min x 4 <u>For adult patients</u> - Hold infusion and call physician for SBP <90 or symptomatic bradycardia (HR <60 with lightheadedness, weakness, chest pain, shortness of breath, lethargy) <u>For peds patients</u> – physician must specify BP & HR parameters in Admin Instructions - Discontinue if clinically significant infusion reaction occurs and initiate appropriate treatment – hypotension, tachycardia, bradycardia, dyspnea, wheezing, angioedema, rash, N/V, diaphoresis, shivering - Do not administer simultaneously with any other medication (unknown compatibility) - Coadministration with chloroquine phosphate or hydroxychloroquine sulfate not recommended due to risk of reduced antiviral activity - After infusion is complete, flush with volume of NS greater than priming volume of the tubing
Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Required daily labs ordered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adults/peds >28 days: eGFR - Full term neonates (7-28 days): SCr - All patients: Hepatic labs <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended daily labs – Required daily labs + serum chemistries, CBC <input type="checkbox"/> File RL for any ADE – notify Jen Dacumos (783-1273)

References:

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