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Re: IV Ketorolac Date: January 14, 2020

There have been questions raised regarding the IV administration of Ketorolac based on vials which contain the wording, "for IM use only".

This issue was discussed by the provincial MAC when the analgesia medical directive was created. There is a robust amount of evidence and practice showing that ketorolac is indeed safe when administered via the IV route.

I would encourage paramedics to continue to use ketorolac as per the ALS PCS.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you,

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