	M16 - OXYTOCIN (SYNTOCINON)	
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ERS HIGH ALERT MEDICATION (A03)		

INDICATIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine postpartum prophylaxis (table A) • Postpartum hemorrhage (table B)

WARNINGS
ABSOLUTE CONTRAINDICATIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypersensitivity to oxytocin • Multiple gestations before all fetuses are delivered • Uterine inversion before the uterus has been repositioned

TABLE A: ROUTINE POSTPARTUM PROPHYLAXIS	
INTRAVENOUS (INTRAOSSEOUS)	PCP / ICP / ACP
ALL AGES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administer 10 units by slow push over 2 minutes 	
INTRAMUSCULAR	PCP / ICP / ACP
ALL AGES: Administer 10 units by slow push over 2 minutes	

TABLE B: POSTPARTUM HEMORRHAGE	
INTRAVENOUS (INTRAOSSEOUS)	PCP / ICP / ACP
ALL AGES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If not yet given, administer 10 units IV by slow push over 1 minute • Then, administer by continuous infusion at 10 units/hr for 4 hours ¹ 	
PREPARATION: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mix 40 units oxytocin in 1 liter of normal saline 	

- Administer by infusion pump (if an infusion pump is not available, deliver at a drip rate for 250 ml/hr)



NOTES

- None

LINKS

- D02 - Prehospital Delivery
- D08.1 - Post Partum Hemorrhage

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VERSION CHANGES (refer to X08 for change tracking)

- Addition of advanced work scope