

Orders – potassium IV infusion

Medication Management

Quick reference guide

1. Click on **Orders** from the menu.
2. Click on **+ Add**.
3. Search for **Potassium IV** and select the appropriate order according to current LCCH guidelines.
4. Click **Done** to close the ordering window.
5. Left click on the order and navigate to the Order Entry Field at the bottom of the window.

Order Name	Status	Start	Details
LCCH MB S WINTV Fin#ADM12320900 Admit: 04-Apr-2018 7:12 AEST			
Continuous Infusions			
Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chl...	Order	04-Apr-2018 13:09 AEST	mL/hr, mL, start: 04-Apr-2018 13:09 AEST

Details for Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion 100 mL			
Details Continuous Details Diagnoses			
Base Solution	Bag Volume	Rate	Infuse Over
Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion 100 mL	mL	mL/hr	hour(s)
Additive	Additive Dose	Normalized Rate	Delivers
Total Bag Volume	mL		

6. In the **Continuous Details** tab:
 - a. Specify the **Volume** to be administered.
 - b. Specify the **Rate** of infusion.
 - c. The **Infuse Over** field will automatically calculate.

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- d. Specify In the **Infusion instructions** field the Potassium infusion Rate

AND the Total Potassium Rate (if applicable).

Infusion instructions

Total Potassium Rate = 0.25mmol/kg/hour

Note: Total Potassium Rate should include all concurrent Parenteral (including TPN) and Enteral Potassium therapy as per LCCH guidelines. Ensure to review the MAR and take into consideration all currently prescribed orders.

7. In the **Details** tab specify the:
 - a. **Route of administration** (i.e. IV Continuous Infusion).
 - b. **Duration** (e.g. 1).
 - c. **Duration Unit** (e.g. Bag).
 - d. **Indication** (e.g. Hypokalaemia, Potassium level in 4 hours to reassess if further treatment required).
 - e. **Priority** (e.g. NOW if urgent).

Details for Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion 100 mL			
Details Continuous Details Diagnoses			
*Route of administration:	IV continuous infusion	*Requested start date/time:	04-Apr-2018 14:06
Stop date/time:	04-Apr-2018 18:05 AEST	*Duration:	1
*Duration unit:	bag(s)	Indication:	Hypokalaemia, Potassium level in ...
Special instructions:		Priority:	NOW

8. When you have completed the order click **Sign** and enter your password.
9. Navigate to the **MAR** and click on **Refresh**.
10. The IV Potassium infusion order that you have placed will appear on the **MAR** for administration and will also appear on the **Fluid Balance Band in Interactive View**.



Medications	04-Apr-2018 14:11 AEST
Continuous Infusions	NOW Not given within 5 days.
Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chl... Rate: 25 mL/hr, Total volume (mL): 100, 100 mL, Solution, injectable, IV continuous infusion, start: 04/04/18 14:06:00 AEST, stop: 04/04/18 18:05:00 AEST, order duration: 1 bag(s), Indication: Hypokalaemia, Potassium level in... Total Potassium Rate = 0.25mmol/kg	Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion 100 mL 100 mL
Discontinued Continuous Infusions	
Potassium Chloride 40 mmol in Sodiu... Rate: 25 mL/hr, Total volume (mL): 100, Solution, injectable, IV continuous in... start: 04/04/18 13:28:00 AEST, stop: 04/ 17:27:00 AEST, order duration: 1 bag(s), Total Potassium Rate = 0.25mmol/kg	Rate: 25 mL/hr, Total volume (mL): 100, 100 mL, Solution, injectable, IV continuous infusion, start: 04/04/18 14:06:00 AEST, stop: 04/04/18 18:05:00 AEST, order duration: 1 bag(s), Indication: Hypokalaemia, Potassium level in 4 hours to reassess if fu... Total Potassium Rate = 0.25mmol/kg/hour

