

Fb/Nurse-Info

COMMON

ICU

DRIPS

DOPAMINE

Indications: Hypotension

Positive inotropic and chronotropic effects leading to increased HR and contractility.

Dosage: Up to 5 mcg/kg/min to increase renal perfusion. 5-20 mcg/kg/min to improve hypotension.

Adverse effects: Tachycardia, hypertension, headache, N & V.

DOBUTAMINE



Indications: Cardiac decompensation in heart failure. Positive inotrope.

Dosage: 5- 20 mcg/kg/min with max dose of 40 mcg/kg/min.

Adverse Effects: Tachycardia and hypertension.

LEVOPHED

Indications: Hypotension

Potent vasoconstrictor and positive inotrope (norepinephrine).

Dosage: Initially 10 mcg/min to a max dose of 30 mcg/min.

Adverse effects: AVOID
EXTRAVASATION



MILRINONE



Indications: Severe congestive heart failure. Potent vasodilator.

Dosage: 50 mcg/kg loading dose then 0.375- 0.75 mcg/kg/min.

Adverse effects: Dysrhythmias, hypotension, headache, hypokalemia



NESIRITIDE

Indications: Acute, decompensated heart failure. Synthetic BNP, potent vasodilator.

Dosage: Loading dose of 2 mcg/kg then 0.01 mcg/kg/min.

Adverse effects: Hypotension