

Vitamin K Quick Reference

ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION OF IM VITAMIN K

Intramuscular Administration:

Neonates \geq 1500 grams, give 1 mg IM x 1 at birth

Neonates < 1500 grams, give 0.5 mg IM x 1 at birth

May be delayed up to 6 hours after birth

PARENTAL REFUSAL OF IM VITAMIN K

1. Consult Birth and Transition team
2. Provide CDC handout:
<https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/blooddisorders/documents/vitamin-k-p.pdf>
<https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/vitamink/documents/consumer-vitamink-span-p.pdf>
3. Parent to sign refusal form: DR resident may provide counseling but NICU fellow, advanced practice provider (NP or PA), or attending neonatologist will oversee this counseling and the signing of the refusal form (Appendix C)
SmartPhrases:
.VITAMINKREFUSALCONSULT
.VITAMINKIMREFUSALANDORALCONSENTCONSULT

ORAL VITAMIN K

1. Parents sign oral consent form (Appendix D)
2. Oral Administration: (**ONLY for use when IM form is refused**)
2 mg PO x 3 doses:
 - As soon as possible after birth
 - On day 4 of life
 - At 4 weeks of age
3. Outpatient prescription:
Write Outpatient Rx
IP Pharmacy Consult to Pharmacy Bedside Delivery Program
(Appendix E)