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Neonatal

Varicella Immunoglobulin

FORM Vial containing Varicella-zoster immunoglobulin 250mg

INDICATION Prevention of Varicella infection in susceptible infants
(See local immunisation protocol for full list of indications)

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate – 6 months	250mg	Single Dose	IM

Administration
By intramuscular injection into the Anterolateral thigh

FURTHER INFORMATION The volume to be administered can be variable dependent on the strength of each individual batch

Administration volumes over 1ml must be split and injected in to two separate sites

Give as soon as possible, ideally within 7 days for neonates but no later than 10 days after exposure

STORAGE **STORED IN THE FRIDGE**

Local Arrangements for Supply: see immunisation guideline or contact pharmacy or virology

LICENSED STATUS Licensed

APPLICABLE POLICIES West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines

Consult local policy if applicable

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Administer reconstituted solutions immediately.
All vials, ampoules and infusion bags are for single use only unless otherwise stated.

Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications.
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For further advice please contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department

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