

Lorazepam

Form:	Lorazepam 4mg per 1ml ampoule
Reconstitution:	Already in solution Further dilute before administration
Administration Method:	<u>IV Injection</u> Dilute with an equal volume of compatible fluid. In status epilepticus administer by rapid injection. For other indications, give slowly over 3 - 5 minutes. <u>IM injection</u> Dilute 1:1 with compatible fluid.
Compatibility & Stability:	Sodium Chloride 0.9%
Special Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lorazepam injection is stored in the fridge. • Patients should remain under observation for at least 8 hours after administration. • Flumazenil is a specific benzodiazepine antagonist and must be available to rapidly reverse respiratory depression when administering lorazepam.

Information provided relates to Ativan[®] manufactured by Pfizer.

This information has been summarised to act as a guide for those administering IV medication. The monograph should be used in conjunction with the drug data sheet and BNF for information on dose, adverse effects, cautions and contra-indications. Further information is available from Pharmacy on 22146 or 22542