

Subcutaneous insulin chart and blood glucose chart for adults

previously known as subcutaneous insulin chart and blood glucose record for adults

Detailed Changes

Front Section

- The title of the Chart has been changed from **'subcutaneous insulin chart and blood glucose record for adults'** to **'subcutaneous insulin chart and blood glucose chart for adults'**.
- The 'Special Instructions' table and options to select insulin pump or other diabetes medication on National Inpatient Medication Chart (NIMC) have been relocated from the bottom to the top of the page to make this information clearer.

Insulin Prescription and Administration Guidelines

- 'Guide to Insulin Prescription and Administration' is now 'Insulin Prescription and Administration Guidelines'.
- The statement that evidence based practice is to manage a patient with a basal-bolus-supplemental (booster) insulin regimen has been included to enhance the Insulin Prescription and Administration Guidelines. Prescribers are advised to seek advice for other clinical practice.
- The term 'booster' is added in brackets alongside 'supplemental' to describe its role and clearly differentiate from the non-evidence based regimen of 'sliding scale'.

Hypoglycaemia Management Guidelines

- Clearer wording to enhance the decreased level of consciousness guidelines.

Hyperglycaemia Management Guidelines

- Instruction added to document the identification and cause of hyperglycaemia in the patient's health care record.
- Further guidelines regarding ketone checking.
- Enhancement of guidelines regarding supplemental insulin, including bold text and replacement of the words 'supplemental scale' with 'supplemental guide' to eliminate confusion with 'sliding scale'.

Regular Subcutaneous Insulin Prescription Record

- Seven days has been reduced to five days to allow more space to write insulin doses and times administered clearly.
- The order of information fields within the prescription panel has been adjusted to have the most relevant information first.
- A thick, bold line has been used around each day to make each day's regimen clearer.
- The supplemental order panel instruction has been enhanced through the addition of the word 'booster'; and bold, capitalised text.

Regular Subcutaneous Insulin Prescription Record

- Seven days has been reduced to five days to allow more space to write blood glucose levels and times clearly.
- Thicker lines around the hypoglycaemia treatment record.
- Adjustment of spacing within the 'ONCE ONLY ORDER' panel.
- Addition of instruction that telephone orders are to be signed by the prescriber.