# When the Pressure to Treat Hypotension Rises

An addition to the Baxter portfolio of high-alert premix medications Premix: Vasopressin in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection—from Baxter

#### Please see Indication and Important Risk Information to follow.

**Vasopressin** premix from Baxter is a ready-to-use formulation that delivers the quality of a manufacturer-prepared treatment. Supplied in a closed-system GALAXY flexible container that does not require a vented IV set,<sup>1</sup> **Vasopressin** premix is another addition to the Baxter portfolio of high-alert medications that's ready when you need it.



## Vasopressin is delivered in Baxter's proprietary GALAXY Container

- **Flexibility**—The lightweight flexible GALAXY container is shatterproof and can be transported from the pharmacy to the point of care without the risk of broken glass
- Sterility—The sterile, closed-system GALAXY container is collapsible, delivering the full labeled volume of drug solution and does not require a vented IV set.<sup>1</sup> Manufactured closed drug-delivery systems decrease the need for manual admixture and reduce the possibility of contamination.<sup>2</sup> The GALAXY container is free of latex, PVC, and DEHP<sup>1</sup>
- **Efficiency**—Vasopressin is ready for IV administration directly from the GALAXY container. It requires no compounding or transfer to a different container

High-alert medications require special safeguards to reduce the risk of errors.

ISMP and ASHP guidelines recommend using commercially prepared, premixed IV products as a riskreduction strategy for IV medications<sup>3,4</sup>

# Safety

- Utilizing premix bags with standardized concentration may decrease the likelihood of compounding errors that may be heightened in urgent situations<sup>3,4</sup>
- Barcoded for bedside scanning to help ensure the right patient gets the right medication<sup>4</sup>
- Distinctly labeled bag differentiates product strength

#### Efficiency

- No admixing or batching required—which may help streamline deployment and save pharmacy time and resources
  - Premix medications like Vasopressin support inventory management and help reduce waste<sup>5</sup>



#### **Consistent concentration**

• A manufacturer-prepared Vasopressin injection helps ensure that patients receive a consistent concentration of medication<sup>4</sup>

# **Indication and Select Important Risk Information**

Vasopressin in Sodium Chloride Injection is indicated to increase blood pressure in adults with vasodilatory shock who remain hypotensive despite fluids and catecholamines.

**Contraindications: Vasopressin in Sodium Chloride Injection** is contraindicated in patients with a known allergy or hypersensitivity to 8-L-arginine vasopressin.



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# Vasopressin in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection

- Increase your options
- Reduce preparation steps
- Support patient care and pharmacy efficiency

### Storage Options for Your Healthcare Facility Needs\*



24 months shelf-life when refrigerated



Vasopressin

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6-month stability at room temperature<sup>+</sup>

\*Product must be stored in a light-protective carton during storage.

<sup>†</sup>You may receive product labeled with 72-hour room-temperature stability. Vasopressin has since been FDA approved for 6-month roomtemperature stability. Please refer to our <u>customer letter</u> for additional information on the 6-month room-temperature stability. Once stored at room temperature, do not place back in the refrigerator.

Vasopressin in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection Ordering Information		
Strength (concentration)	20 units per 100 mL (0.2 units/mL)	40 units per 100 mL (0.4 units/mL)
Product code	2G3498	263499
NDC	0338-9640-12	0338-9647-12
Pack factor	12	12
McKesson	2920148	2920213
Cardinal	5911300	5911318
Cencora	10288445	10288459
M&D	359190	359273
Barcode	3 03389 64012 7	3 03389 64712 6

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#### **Select Important Risk Information**

Worsening Cardiac Function: A decrease in cardiac index may be observed with the use of vasopressin.



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- Reversible Diabetes Insipidus: Patients may experience reversible diabetes insipidus, manifested by the development of polyuria, a dilute urine, and hypernatremia, after cessation of treatment with **vasopressin**. Monitor serum electrolytes, fluid status, and urine output after **vasopressin** discontinuation. Some patients may require readministration of **vasopressin** or administration of desmopressin to correct fluid and electrolyte shifts.

• Adverse Reactions:

- —The most common adverse reactions include decreased cardiac output, bradycardia, tachyarrhythmias, hyponatremia, and ischemia (coronary, mesenteric, skin, digital).
- Drug Interactions:
  - -Pressor effects of catecholamines and Vasopressin in Sodium Chloride Injection are expected to be additive.
  - -Indomethacin may prolong effects of Vasopressin in Sodium Chloride Injection.
  - -Co-administration of ganglionic blockers or drugs causing SIADH (syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion) may increase the pressor response.
  - -Co-administration of drugs causing diabetes insipidus may decrease the pressor response.
- Pregnancy: May induce tonic uterine contractions that could threaten the continuation of pregnancy.

#### Please see accompanying full Prescribing Information for Vasopressin in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection.

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