IVP MEDICATIONS

Indications:

Intravenous bolus drug administration is indicated for the rapid delivery of drugs.

Contraindications:

Intravenous bolus drug administration may be ineffective at sites in close proximity to dialysis shunts or traumatized areas.

Procedure:

- Observe universal precautions (gloves).
- 2. Confirm the drug order, amount to be given and route per SOP.
- 3. Explain the procedure to the patient and reconfirm that the patient is not allergic to the medication.
- 4. Check the medication name, expiration, coloration and clarity.
- 5. Assemble the appropriate equipment.
- 6. Calculate the desired volume of drug. If the entire syringe is not going to be given, the paramedic can either carefully inject the appropriate amount of drug or squirt out the excess amount.
- 7. Eject any air from the syringe.
- 8. Cleanse the rubber injection port with an alcohol prep.
- 9. Insert the syringe cannula/needle into the rubber injection port.
- 10. Pinch off the IV tubing just above the injection port.
- 11. Inject the desired amount of medication into the injection port. Speed of administration is based on the individual drug.
- 12. Release or unpinch the IV tubing.
- 13. Flush the IV tubing. Run enough fluid in (no greater than 20cc) to ensure delivery of drug through the tubing into the circulation.
- 14. Readjust the IV flow to the previous rate.
- 15. Properly dispose of the syringe and medication container.
- 16. Monitor the patient for medication effect and document.