

Nurse Practitioner Rottnest Island Nursing Post Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPGs)

1. Brown, A.F.T. and Cadogan, M.D. 2006. *Emergency Medicine Emergency and Acute Medicine: Diagnosis and Management Medicine* (5th Ed), Hodder Arnold, London
2. Royal Flying Doctors (RFDS) Western Operations. 2008. *Clinical Manual: Drug Infusion Guidelines*, RFDS Western Operations
3. Western Australian Therapeutics Advisory Group. 2007. *Pharmacological management of acutely aroused adult patients a guide for medical practitioners*
4. Western Australian Therapeutics Advisory Group. 2006. *Antipsychotic Drug Guidelines*
5. NHMRC. 2008. *Australian Immunisation Handbook (9th Ed)*
6. Department of Health. 2006. *Guidelines for Managing Sexually Transmitted Infections*, Department of Health Western Australia

The following limitations apply to the endorsed NP protocols:

- Reference to the prescription and administration of Schedule 8 medication in any protocol is outside of the scope of practice of a NP without first seeking Medical Practitioner advice.
- The WA Vaccination Schedule and the *Australian Immunisation Handbook (9th Ed)*. 2008 shall be referenced by the NP for all immunisation protocols.
- Psychiatric Emergencies, Section XV (Emergency Medicine) - The pharmacological management of acutely aroused adult patients and the sedation of acutely agitated adults patients prior to transportation shall be referenced by the NP.
- Appendix: Critical-Care Areas Drug Infusion Guidelines (Emergency Medicine) - These infusion guidelines were developed for use in critical care areas only. The NP protocol for drug infusions for patients who are being transferred or transported is the Royal Flying Doctor (RFDS) Western Operations. 2008. *Clinical Manual: Drug Infusions Guidelines*, RFDS Western Operations.
- NP's in the RINP will not request multiple X-Rays or more than one body region, without consulting with a Senior Registrar or Emergency Physician (see appendix 1 for a list of x-rays that NP's in FHHS RINP may or may not request)
- NP's will adapt the protocol (where required) to comply with the local policies and procedures of FHHS.
- NP's working within FHHS RINP will request pathology tests as per the 'ED Fremantle request' traffic light system. They are authorised by the Director ED to request 'Green' tests and microbiological examination of Wound Swabs and Urine and their signatures will be registered with the Pathology Department for this purpose. The Director of Pathology (PathWest Fremantle) has approved this arrangement.