

ILLINOIS REGION 3 PROTOCOLS

VASOPRESSIN (PITRESSIN)	
CLASS	
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inhibits water secretions in the kidney. ▪ Potent vasoconstrictor in higher doses (non-adrenergic)
INDICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To increase peripheral vascular resistance in CPR (as an alternative to epinephrine or after epinephrine has been used)
CONTRAINDICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None in the emergency setting
PRECAUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Few in the emergency setting
SIDE EFFECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Infrequent with low dose
ROUTE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ IV
DOSE (ADULT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cardiac arrest: 40 units IV (single dose only)
PEDIATRIC DOSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not indicated
ONSET	
DURATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪
STOCK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ (2) 20 unit/1 ml
SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment, vital signs, down time or last seen, cardiac rhythm, drug, dose, route, reassessment, and vital signs with viable rhythm.