Regimen Reference Order – SUPP – pamidronate

Planned Course:Every 4 weeks until disease progression or unacceptable toxicityIndications for Use:Bone Metastases, Skeletal-Related Events, or Hypercalcemia of Malignancy

CVAD: At Provider's Discretion

Proceed with treatment if:

Corrected calcium is greater than 2.1 mmol/L

Contact Physician if parameters not met

SEQUENCE OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Pre-treatment Requirements				
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline		
	Not Applicable			

Treatment Regimen – SUPP - pamidronate				
Establish primary solution 500 mL of: normal saline				
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pamidronate	90 mg	IV in normal saline 250 mL over 2 hours		

Flush after each medication:

• 50 mL over 6 minutes (500 mL/hr)

In the event of an infusion-related hypersensitivity reaction, refer to the 'Hypersensitivity Reaction Standing Order'

REQUIRED MONITORING

• Serum creatinine, calcium, albumin within 7 days prior to pamidronate as per physician order

Recommended Support Medications				
Drug	Dose	CCMB Administration Guideline		
Not Applicable				

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Patient should advise dentist/hygienist that they are receiving pamidronate
- Ensure patient is given appointment for next dose

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Pamidronate is the preferred bisphosphonate for patients with creatinine clearance below 30 mL/minute.
 Consideration can be given to increasing the infusion time up to 4 hours and/or decreasing pamidronate dose in patients with renal dysfunction
- Pamidronate can cause osteonecrosis of the jaw

