



BUPRENORPHINE

PROLONGED-RELEASE
SOLUTION FOR INJECTION

Pharmacy Administration: A guide to support SOP development

Training

Considerations for pharmacist training:

- CPPE Declaration of Competence in vaccination services
- Buvidal product training

Other SOPs that may be considered to support SOP implementation:

- Flu vaccination in regard to injection process
- Disposal of unwanted medicines (hazardous waste)
- Controlled drugs management
- SOP-Infection Control
- SOP-Needlestick Injuries
- SOP-Chaperoning
- SOP-Safeguarding

Preparation

Trained pharmacist will:

- Check the prescription for Buvidal and ensure it complies with schedule 3 regulations
- Check copy of patient specific direction (PSD) is correct and contains the following:
 - Patient's name, DOB, address, Buvidal dose, weekly or monthly dosage and prescriber name, signature and date
 - PSD may also specify a treatment plan

Pre-administration

- Confirm identity of patient
- Confirm with the patient the dose of Buvidal they have been prescribed
- Discuss and complete Administration Record Form
- Discuss administration route. Patients preferred site of administration should be taken into consideration
 - Injections should be rotated between sites in the buttock, thigh, abdomen, or upper arm with a minimum of 8 weeks before re-injecting a previously used injection site. Injections on the waistline or within 5 cm of the navel should be avoided.
 - In low-BMI patients, injection sites with more fat (subcutaneous tissue), i.e. buttock and thigh, could be considered as there may be an increased risk of intradermal administration if the chosen injection site has little subcutaneous tissue. In the event of accidental intradermal injection, there may be an increased risk of injection site reactions, and this should be reported as an Adverse Event.

Administration

- Prepare Buvidal injection for administration, ensure dose and prescription are checked by 2nd dispenser
- Confirm injection site (e.g., abdomen, thigh, buttock, upper arm) and record on the body map
- Clean site with a sterile wipe
- Inject into the site according to administration guidance in the Buvidal Patient Leaflet (PIL). A Buvidal administration video can be found at www.buvidal.co.uk
- Dispose of syringe in sharps bin
- There may be a small amount of blood at the injection site, if required wipe with a cotton ball or gauze
- Provide information regarding side effects including injection site reactions
- Ensure patient knows the process to report any side-effects or problems to pharmacy, keyworker or prescribing doctor
- Ensure patient is aware of next appointment
- Provide patient with an alert card and patient information leaflet if required
- Feedback form discussed and completed with patient

Post-administration

- Record all relevant information on Administration Record Form Record all relevant information on Administration Record Form, including batch number and expiry date
- Record site of injection on body map
- Ensure consent and feedback form are returned to drug treatment provider