

# Paediatric Dose Calculation Formulas

## 1. Total Daily Dose (mg/day)

Daily Dose = Patient Weight (kg) × Standard Dose per kg (mg/kg/day)

## 2. Per Dose (mg)

Per Dose = Daily Dose (mg/day) ÷ Number of Doses per Day

## 3. Dose per Hour (mg/hr)

Dose per Hour = Daily Dose (mg/day) ÷ Duration (hours)

## 4. mg per kg per Dose (mg/kg/dose)

mg per kg per Dose = Per Dose (mg) ÷ Patient Weight (kg)

## 5. Volume per Day (mL/day)

Volume per Day = Daily Dose (mg/day) ÷ Concentration (mg/mL)

## 6. Volume per Dose (mL/dose)

Volume per Dose = Per Dose (mg) ÷ Concentration (mg/mL)

## 7. mL per kg per Dose (mL/kg/dose)

mL per kg per Dose = Volume per Dose (mL/dose) ÷ Patient Weight (kg)

## 8. Infusion Rate (mL/hr)

Infusion Rate = Total Volume to Infuse (mL) ÷ Duration (hours)

## 9. Total Volume (mL)

Total Volume = Volume per Dose × Number of Doses per Day

## 10. Diluent Volume (mL)

Diluent Volume = Infusion Rate (mL/hr) × Duration (hr)

## Example Calculation

Patient Weight: 15 kg

Standard Dose: 7.5 mg/kg/day

Dose Frequency: Twice a day (BD) -> 2 doses/day

Concentration: 15 mg/mL

1. Daily Dose (mg/day):  $15 \text{ kg} \times 7.5 \text{ mg/kg} = 112.5 \text{ mg/day}$

2. Per Dose (mg/dose):  $112.5 \text{ mg/day} \div 2 = 56.25 \text{ mg/dose}$

3. Volume per Dose (mL/dose):  $56.25 \text{ mg} \div 15 \text{ mg/mL} = 3.75 \text{ mL/dose}$

4. Infusion Rate (mL/hr):  $(3.75 \text{ mL} \times 2 \text{ doses/day}) \div 24 \text{ hr} = 0.31 \text{ mL/hr}$