

Nephrology

Convenient Formulas		
Formula Name	Formula	Clinical Use
Modified Bedside Schwartz	$eGFR = 0.413 \times (\text{height}/\text{Scr}); \text{ht in cm}$	Used ages 1-18 to estimate GFR
Insensible Fluid Loss	IFL = 300 mL/m ² /day BSA (m ²) = $\sqrt{[(\text{ht [in cm]} \times \text{wt [in kg]})/3600]}$	Use for oliguric patients when replacing insensible fluid plus urine/stool losses
Free Water Deficit	$[(\text{Current Na}^+/\text{Desired Na}^+) - 1] \times \text{total body water (weight in kg} \times 0.6 \text{ for males, } 0.5 \text{ for females)} = \text{water deficit in liters}$	Calculating water to be replaced in hypernatremic dehydration
Sodium Deficit	$(140 - \text{actual Na}^+) \times \text{TBW (wt in kg} \times 0.6 \text{ for males, } 0.5 \text{ for females)} = \text{Na}^+ \text{ deficit in mEq}$	Calc Na to be replaced in hyponatremic dehydration
Fractional Excretion of Sodium	$\text{FENa} = (\text{Urine Na} \times \text{Plasma Cr}) / (\text{Plasma Na} \times \text{Urine Cr})$	Use in oliguric AKI to determine pre-renal (<1%, sodium-avid) vs intrinsic renal (>2%, tubular dysfunction) etiology
Fractional Excretion of Urea	$\text{FEUN} = (\text{Urine urea nitrogen} \times \text{Plasma Cr}) / (\text{Plasma urea nitrogen} \times \text{Urine Cr})$	Use in AKI if patient has recently been given diuretics (would alter Na excretion and therefore FENa), acute GN, or CKD; pre-renal <35%, intrinsic renal >50%
Urine Protein:Cr	Urine Protein:Cr on spot urine sample	Normal <0.2. > 3.5 indicates nephrotic-range proteinuria.
Transtubular Potassium Gradient	$(\text{urine K} / \text{plasma K}) / (\text{urine osm} / \text{plasma osm})$	Normal = 8-9. TTKG <7 + hyperkalemia → aldo def / resistance TTKG >3 + hypokalemia → aldo ↑ vs renal K loss
Tubular Reabsorption of Phosphate	$[1 - (\text{urine phosphate} \times \text{plasma creatinine}) / (\text{plasma phosphate} \times \text{urine creatinine})] \times 100\%$	Normal 80-98%. ↓ TRP can be seen in conditions with prox tubular dysfx, such as Fanconi syndrome / Type 2 RTA
Urine Calcium:Cr	Urine Ca:Cr on spot urine sample	Normal < 0.2. Use to assess for hypercalciuria in patients with hematuria, stones, and/or hypercalcemia.
Calcium levels w/ low albumin	$\text{Corrected Ca}^{2+} = (4 - \text{patient's albumin}) \times 0.8 + \text{measured Ca}^{2+}$	Albumin = negatively charged, and therefore carries calcium.
Serum Osmolality	$[2 \times (\text{Na}^+ + \text{K}^+)] + (\text{glucose}/18) + (\text{BUN}/2.8) = \text{Sosm in mOsm/kg}$ Osmolar gap = measured serum osm - calculated serum osm	Osmolar gap >10 can be caused by toxic alcohols (ethanol, methanol, ethylene glycol, isopropyl alcohol), mannitol, and lorazepam infusions (which contain propylene glycol).

Fluid Management			
Dehydration			
Severity	% Volume Loss	Vital Signs	Physical Exam
Mild	3-5%	Normal	Oliguria
Moderate	6-9%	Inc HR, Orthostatic BP	Decreased skin turgor, delayed cap refill, dry mucosa, sunken fontanelle, oliguria
Severe	≥10%	Inc HR, Dec BP	Markedly decreased peripheral perfusion (cool, mottled extremities), lethargy/AMS, deep respirations, anuria
Is this child dehydrated? Steiner MJ; DeWalt DA; Byerley JS. JAMA 2004 Jun 9;291(22):2746-54.			

Fluid Management

Dehydration

- **PowerPlans:** Gastroenteritis CPG Admit Plan, ED Gastroenteritis Pathway Plan
- **Clinical Pathways:** Gastroenteritis Clinical Pathway
- **Clinical Pearls:** Estimate degree of dehydration by s/sx above to calc amt of fluid necessary to replace
 - Fluid deficit = dry weight - current weight
 - If dry weight unknown, estimate: dry weight = (current wt) / (1 - p*[%dehyd/100]), where p = 0.6 for boys, 0.5 for girls (as % of total weight is water is 60% in boys and 50% in girls)
 - Oral rehydration is preferred to IV rehydration when possible
 - If giving IV rehydration: 20cc/kg bolus of normal saline - consider D5NS if hypoglycemic or acidotic, rpt PRN until HDS, if ongoing IV rehydration necessary, start IVF @ maintenance (D5NS unless child is <1 mo, has renal disease, etc); for hypernatremic dehydration, give hypotonic fluids (e.g., D5 ½ NS) **after** volume resuscitation

Maintenance Fluid Therapy

Fluid	Dex	Na ⁺	Cl ⁻	K ⁺	Ca ⁺⁺	Buffer	Osm
Unit	g/dL	mEq/L					mOsm/L
Plasma	0.07-0.11	135-145	95-105	3.5-5	4.4-5.2	23-30 bicarb	308
NS (0.9%)	0	154	154	0	0	0	308
D5 NS	5	154	154	0	0	0	308
D5 ½ NS	5	77	77	0	0	0	154
D5 ¼ NS	5	34	34	0	0	0	78
3% saline	0	513	513	0	0	0	1026
D5 LR	5	130	109	4	3	28 lactate	284

Holliday-Segar Method (use for children > 14 days old)

Body Weight	cc/kg/day	cc/kg/hr
First 10 kg	100	4
Second 10 kg	50	2
Each additional kg	20	1

- Insensible Fluid Losses: 300 cc/m²/day, with body surface area in m²= square root of [(ht cm x wt kg)/3600]
- Maintenance Electrolyte Requirements: **Na:** 2-4 mEq/kg/day / **K:** 1-2 mEq/kg/day
- Choice of fluid depends on age, serum sodium, and degree of dehydration.
- **2018 AAP Clinical Practice Guideline** by Feld LG, Neuspiel DR, Foster BA, et al. *Pediatrics*. 2018;142(6):
 - **Bottom line:** when in doubt, use isotonic fluids + KCl and dextrose (e.g., D5NS + 20 mEq/L KCl)
 - **Exceptions:** neonates <28d or in NICU, CHF, renal disease, massive burns, hepatic disease, neurosurgical disorders, voluminous diarrhea, DI
 - **Why:** avoids iatrogenic hyponatremia (hypotonic fluids + non-osmotic stimuli to ADH release) without a notable increase in iatrogenic hypernatremia or hypertension.
 - **Note:** large amounts of NS → hyperchloremic non-gap metabolic acidosis. **Keep this in mind** when you see a persistent acidosis despite a normal anion gap when correcting patients in DKA!