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Morphine Sulphate

**BNF 4.7.2 OPIOID ANALGESICS**  
**Morphine sulphate 10mg and 15mg injection**

**Applicable unit policies:**

- Midwifery formulary - Morphine Sulphate
- Opiate Analgesia in labour
- Analgesia in Prenatal assessment areas - 2nd line therapy

**Indication 1 : Opiate analgesia in Labour**

Drug	Maternal Booking weight (Kg)	Dose	No. of doses	Route
Morphine sulphate	Less than or equal to 60Kg	10mg	every 4 hours if necessary	I.M.
	more than 60Kg	15mg	every 4 hours if necessary	I.M.

**Notes**

Consider giving a reduced dose in women  $\leq 50\text{kg}$ .

If sedation/respiratory depression is suspected or present after delivery, inform paediatric staff immediately as per the protocol.

**Indication 2: 2nd line therapy for analgesia in Prenatal assessment areas**

Drug	Dose	No. of doses	Route
Morphine sulphate	10mg	Single dose ONLY	I.M.

**Notes**

Consider giving a reduced dose in women  $\leq 50\text{kg}$ .

If sedation/respiratory depression is suspected or present after delivery, inform paediatric staff immediately as per the protocol.

Licensed status: licensed for the relief of severe pain.

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