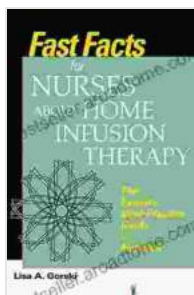


# Fast Facts for Nurses About Home Infusion Therapy: The Essential Guide to Providing Safe and Effective Care

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## What is Home Infusion Therapy?

Home infusion therapy is a medical treatment that involves delivering medication or fluids directly into a patient's vein through a catheter that is inserted into the skin. Home infusion therapy is often used for patients who have chronic conditions, such as cancer, HIV/AIDS, or multiple sclerosis, that require long-term treatment.

## **The Role of Nurses in Home Infusion Therapy**

Nurses play a vital role in home infusion therapy, providing care to patients in their homes. Nurses are responsible for assessing patients, administering medications, and monitoring patients for complications. Nurses also provide education to patients and their families about home infusion therapy.

### **Patient Assessment**

Before starting home infusion therapy, nurses must assess the patient to determine if they are a good candidate for this type of treatment. The nurse will assess the patient's medical history, physical condition, and social situation. The nurse will also assess the patient's ability to self-administer medications and to care for their infusion equipment.

### **Medication Administration**

Nurses are responsible for administering medications to patients through home infusion therapy. Nurses must be familiar with the medications that they are administering and with the proper techniques for administering these medications. Nurses must also monitor patients for side effects from the medications.

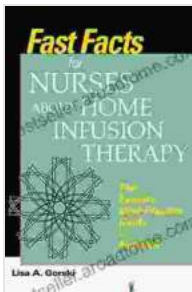
### **Monitoring**

Nurses are responsible for monitoring patients for complications from home infusion therapy. Nurses must monitor patients for signs of infection, bleeding, and other complications. Nurses must also monitor patients' vital signs and overall health status.

### **Education**

Nurses provide education to patients and their families about home infusion therapy. Nurses teach patients how to self-administer medications, how to care for their infusion equipment, and how to recognize and respond to complications. Nurses also provide support to patients and their families during the home infusion therapy process.

Home infusion therapy is a vital medical treatment for many patients with chronic conditions. Nurses play a vital role in providing safe and effective care to patients receiving home infusion therapy. This book provides nurses with the essential information they need to know about home infusion therapy, including patient assessment, medication administration, and monitoring.



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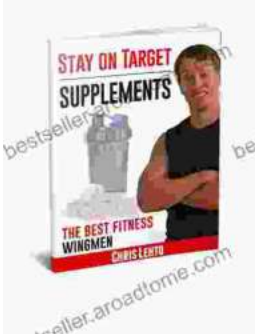
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