

Generic Name: VASOPRESSIN

Trade Name: Pitressin (**DO NOT CONFUSE WITH PITOCIN**)

Indications: Cardiac arrest due to pulseless V-fib or pulseless V-tach. May be used in place of epinephrine for first line drug after initial stacked shocks.

Action: Potent alpha agonist in cardiac arrest studies. Regulates water conservation and causes vasoconstriction as well as increases the smooth muscular activity of the GI tract.

Caution In Use: Wait **10-15** minutes before epinephrine administration. May produce cardiac ischemia and angina.
Risk of hyponatremia

Onset & Duration: **Onset 1-3 minutes** **Duration 20-30 minutes**

Doses: **Give 40 units IV Bolus**

Single dose, 1 time only

Route: IV, IO and ET