

Alaris Update

for Lexington Medical Center

August 1, 2012



The next Alaris Infusion Pump Dataset Upload will take place on August 8, 2012.

Based on your feedback and feedback from data reports, this Dataset Upload will include the below changes:

1. **Merrem**- soft minimum will now be 29 minutes with initial infusion of 30 minutes and will be added to the OB profile.
2. **Ceftazidime**- a "wild card" has been added to the Oncology profile for use in the Infusion Center.
3. **Heparin Drip** hard limit has been increased to 35 units/kg/min.
4. A bolus feature has been added to the **Heparin Drip** with a hard max of 5,000 units and a bolus dose administration default rate of 500 units/min (programmable range of 100 unit/min to 1000 unit/min).
5. **Propofol** soft minimum bolus has been decreased to 1 mg.
6. **Propofol** bolus dose administration rate has been increased to 20 mg/min.
7. **Vancomycin** infusion time default has been increased by 30 minutes to try and decrease the Red Man's syndrome reaction.

* Dataset Upload Instruction Sheet is available on LexLoop under the **Alaris Infusion Pump** link.

All orders for Heparin Drips and the Heparin Flowsheets have been revised to include ordering and administration of Heparin in units/hr which correlates with the Alaris Infusion Pump. These orders/flowsheets are to be initiated August 7, 2012. Please discard any outdated heparin orders or flowsheets that you may have stored on your unit.

PACU & ED nurses and transporters- when you transfer a patient from your unit to an inhouse unit with one or more Alaris pumps, please remember to take back an unused/clean Alaris pump to your unit.

Feedback from Alaris Pump Compliance Rounds: Please remember to include your department number when the pump asks you to enter the "Patient ID" and remember to change this when you receive a patient from another unit in order for us to track processes that can make your workflows more efficient and safe- thanks 😊.