

CETROTIDE 3 MG

1. Gather equipment:

Box of Cetrotide 3 mg medication Two 3 ml syringes with 22 g 1½ needle (**ml=cc**) Two 27 g ½ inch or 25 g 5/8 inch needles for injection Alcohol swabs

PLEASE NOTE THIS MEDICATION IS GIVEN AS TWO SEPARATE SUBCUTANEOUS INJECTIONS

- 2. Open box of Cetrotide. Hold the vial in one hand and snap off plastic cover. Remove diluent syringe that comes packaged in the box.
- 3. Clean rubber stopper on vial with alcohol swab. Inject the needle into the vial. Empty syringe of diluent into powder vial by running diluent down the side of the vial to avoid creating bubbles. Swirl gently to mix.
- 4. Using first 3 ml syringe with 22 g 1½ inch needle, remove 1½ cc's of medication from vial. Using second 3 ml syringe with 22 g 1½ inch needle, remove remaining 1½ cc's of medication from vial.
- 5. Change the needle on each syringe to the 27 g ½ inch or 25 g 5/8 inch needle for injection. Hold syringe upright and tap air bubbles to the top and push up on plunger till a small drop of medication appears at the top of the needle. You are now ready to inject.
- 6. Choose an injection site stomach is best but top of thigh area is also acceptable. Clean site with an alcohol swab in a bull's-eye motion from center outward.
- 7. Pinch an inch of skin and using a gentle dart action, stick needle in a 90 degree angle into fatty tissue and depress plunger.
- 8. Remove needle and dispose of it into the biohazard container.
- 9. Repeat with second syringe in opposite side of stomach or opposite thigh.

If you have any questions or issues with your injections, please see our website at www.colocrm.com and go to the bottom right-hand corner. Choose the syringe for our medication teaching portal.