

MEDICATED PATCH ADMINISTRATION

Applying a medicated patch to a child's skin:

Complete PREPARATION PHASE

Complete ADMINISTRATION PHASE

Prepare:



1. If the child has an old patch on, put on gloves and remove the old patch.
2. Clean any residual medication from the child's skin using soap and water unless otherwise instructed.
3. Discard the used patch along with the dirty gloves using the appropriate technique.
4. Remove a patch from the box and compare it to the medication label to make sure it is the correct medication.
5. Write the date and time on the new patch with a waterproof pen or marker.
6. Clean the area you plan on placing the patch with soap and water. Unless otherwise indicated, the upper arm or upper back area is a good place to put a patch. Pat the area dry.
7. Put on new gloves.



Compare the child's medication consent form against the medication label for the **Five Rights** before administering the medication to the child.

- medication time dose route child's name

**Second
Check**

Administer:

1. Apply the patch by peeling off any backing on the patch and hold the patch by the edges.*
2. Smooth the patch onto the skin. Check to make sure it is adhering well.
3. Remove gloves and discard using the appropriate technique.



Complete DOCUMENTATION PHASE

**Some patches may have a different application technique than the one listed above. Be sure to always follow any specific manufacturer's instructions for applying the medicated patch.*