



Provincial Health Services Authority

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# PROTOCOL CODE: HNLACETR

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## DOCTOR'S ORDERS

Height \_\_\_\_\_ cm Weight \_\_\_\_\_ kg BSA =  $\sqrt{\frac{\text{Height (cm x Weight (kg))}{3600}}$  = \_\_\_\_\_ m<sup>2</sup>

**REMINDER: Please ensure drug allergies and previous bleomycin are documented on the Allergy & Alert Form**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **To be given:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Day(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Previous Cycle: \_\_\_\_\_

- Delay treatment \_\_\_\_\_ week(s)
  - day of treatment: CBC & diff, platelets, magnesium, calcium, albumin, electrolytes, creatinine
- May proceed with doses as written if less than Grade 2: rash, diarrhea, stomatitis
- Dose modification for:  Severe acneiform rash  diarrhea  stomatitis
- Rate modification for:  Allergic/Hypersensitivity reactions
- Proceed with treatment based on bloodwork from \_\_\_\_\_

**PREMEDICATIONS:** Patient to take own supply. RN/Pharmacist to confirm \_\_\_\_\_  
diphenhydrAMINE 50 mg PO 30 to 60 minutes prior to each Cetuximab dose  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Have Hypersensitivity Reaction Tray and protocol available\*\***

## TREATMENT:

**VITAL SIGNS:** Temperature, Pulse, Respiration, Blood Pressure **pre-Cetuximab** infusion, **halfway** through infusion and **one hour post** infusion.\* Patients are to be observed visually for the first 15 minutes of Cetuximab infusion.  
Flush cetuximab line post infusion with Normal Saline (0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection)

**DAY minus 7 from radiation start date:**

**cetuximab (first dose) 400 mg/m<sup>2</sup> X BSA = \_\_\_\_\_ mg IV over 2 hours (use 0.2 micron in-line filter)**  
Infusion rate not to exceed 10 mg/minute.

*Observe for 1 hour following end of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> infusions (day minus 7 and day 1)*  
*May discontinue observation period and vital signs if no infusion reaction for 2 consecutive doses.*

**Concurrent on days with Radiation Therapy weekly X  2 weeks OR  3 weeks (select one)**

**cetuximab (subsequent dose) 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup> X BSA = \_\_\_\_\_ mg IV over 1 hour (use 0.2 micron in-line filter)**  
(Observation period during RT)

- Dose Modification: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/m<sup>2</sup> x BSA = \_\_\_\_\_ mg
- Decrease infusion rate by 50% for previous allergic/hypersensitivity reaction.

**Start time of observation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**End time of observation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**POST-CHEMO Magnesium Supplementation:** (see protocol for magnesium supplementation guidelines)

- magnesium sulfate 2 G IV in 50 mL NS over 30 minutes
- magnesium sulfate 5 G IV in 100 mL NS over 3 hours

RN to assess for severe acneiform rash and diarrhea prior to EACH cetuximab infusion  
Notify Doctor of any signs and symptoms of toxicity prior to administering cetuximab

**DOCTOR'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**UC:** \_\_\_\_\_



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<b>DATE:</b>	<b>To be given:</b>	<b>Day(s):</b>
<b>RETURN APPOINTMENT ORDERS</b>		
Book weekly chemo for duration of RT X _____ weeks		
Return in _____ weeks for Doctor		
<input type="checkbox"/> Last Cycle. Return in _____ week(s).		
<b>CBC &amp; diff, platelets, magnesium, calcium, albumin, sodium, potassium, creatinine, prior to next physician appointment</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> re-check magnesium level in 1 week		
<b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> patient will be seen in Patient Review and lab work to be ordered as below:		
<b>Day 22: CBC &amp; diff, platelets, magnesium, calcium, albumin, sodium, potassium, creatinine</b>		
<b>Day 36: CBC &amp; diff, platelets, magnesium, calcium, albumin, sodium, potassium, creatinine</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tests:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consults:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>See general orders sheet for additional requests.</b>		
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		<b>UC:</b>