

## ENDOCRINOLOGY & DIABETES UNIT



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## DECAPEPTYL® ADMINISTRATION

This patient has been prescribed Decapeptyl® CR (triptorelin, Ferring), which has been obtained through Health Canada's Special Access Programme. Decapeptyl® CR has been used in the Endocrinology & Diabetes Unit for over 10 years. In that time, we have developed a method of administration according to the direct advice of the manufacturer in Germany.

### Storage:

Keep the medication refrigerated (2-8° C) at all times, including during transportation to the physician's office.

### Mixing:

Follow package insert. Mix gently 3 times, then more firmly to a total of 10 times.

### Administration:

Give the medication **immediately**, using a 21-G 1-inch needle. Occasionally, the needle blocks. If it does block, change needle and continue. If it is a chronic problem, use a 19-G 1-inch needle.

### Schedule:

Decapeptyl® CR is given every 3 or 4 weeks, as prescribed by the Endocrinologist.

The injection is painful for a short time, but do not warm it or give it too slowly.