

# DRUG CARD

Vasopressin

Pitressin

Generic Name

Trade Name

Pharmacologic Class: • Antidiuretic hormone

Therapeutic Class: • Hormone

**Action:** increases water permeability of the kidney's collecting duct and distal convoluted tubule leading to water retention, also increases peripheral vascular resistance leading to increased BP

**Indication:** • Management of diabetes insipidus  
• VT/VF unresponsive to initial shock  
• GI hemorrhage

Reason Given (Disease States): \_\_\_\_\_

## Nursing Process

Pre-Administration Assessment:	Post Administration Evaluation:	<b>Nursing Considerations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use caution with HF and CV disease</li><li>• Contraindicated in renal failure and hypersensitivity to pork</li><li>• Monitor BP, HR, and EKG during therapy</li><li>• Monitor urine specific gravity and osmolality</li><li>• Weigh patient and assess for edema</li><li>• Monitor electrolyte panel</li><li>• Do not use with alcohol</li></ul>
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