



INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTIONS IN PAEDIATRICS



Overview:

An intramuscular injection is a technique used to deliver a medication deep into the muscles. This allows the medication to be absorbed into the bloodstream quickly. This is a short 5 minute procedure.

Pre Procedure:

- You are requested to carry the doctor's prescription, purchase the medicine from our pharmacy and come to the Pediatric Injection room.
- In case, you are carrying your own medicine, a consent will be taken from you, before administering the injection.
- There are no specific instructions to be followed before the procedure.

During Procedure:

- Your child will be settled comfortably in the dedicated paediatric injection room in the Paediatric Department or Paediatric Emergency, where you and your child's privacy is respected throughout the procedure.
- The medicine that is being injected is shown and reconfirmed with you.

- The site of injection is disinfected with an alcohol swab.
- We will request you to manage and comfort the child while the nurse administers the injection.
- Additionally, the nurse and team will also interact and distract the child with toys etc.

Post Procedure:

- Your child will be kept under observation for 15 minutes for any reactions, in the waiting area.
- The administered medicine is recorded with date of administration with staff signature, in your Out Patient file.
- You are requested to monitor / keep a watch on the injection site after going home.
- In case of soreness / any unusual symptoms, please contact us immediately. However, this is very rare.