Noradrenaline (Norepinephrine) - Vasopressor - Summary Clinical Guideline

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Noradrenaline Algorithm

- Review Vasopressor policy
- Not to be initiated on SDU unless planned ICU transfer
- Central venous catheter is required
- See policy detail for invasive arterial pressure monitoring requirements
- May be continued from theatre or HDU if stable and being weaned < 5ml/hour



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Considerations

- 1. The dose range to be used is 0-5ml/hr, seek senior or ITU advice if higher dose is required
- Rising noradrenaline requirements especially after being stable for >4 hrs should prompt reassessment of the patient and consideration of other potential causes. A further fluid challenge should be considered.
- 3. Fluid challenge should be given at least once every 12 hours and the response assessed by a clinician.
- 4. Daily Senior review of vasopressor therapy should be recorded in notes