## ONDANSETRON (Zofran) (B1) (Revised: February 2021) TYPE: Potent anti-nauseant and antiemetic [S4] PRESENTATIONS: 4mg in 2ml – plastic or glass ampoule 4mg – orally disintegrating tablet (ODT) **ACTIONS:** 1. Potent, highly specific and selective serotonin 5-HT receptor antagonist. 2. Precise mode of action in control of nausea and vomiting is not known. Likely to have actions peripherally and in the central nervous system. 3. Maximum effect is approximately 10 minutes following IV administration. 4. Hepatic metabolism. **USE:** For the prevention or treatment of nausea and AΡ **ICP** vomiting ADVERSE EFFECTS: **Uncommon:** 1.Headache 2. Flushing of skin 3. Occasional reaction at the site of IV injection 4. Drowsiness 5. Anxiety and agitation 6. Transient visual disturbances **CONTRA-**Known hypersensitivity **PRECAUTION:** Not recommended in pregnancy **DOSES:** ADULT: IV: 8mg slowly over 2 minutes. May be administered IM if necessary. **ICP** Single dose only AP ODT: 8mg sublingually - single dose only PAEDIATRIC: IV: 0.1mg/kg (max. 4mg) – slowly over 2 minutes. May be administered IM if necessary. Repeat once if required, after approximately 10 minutes. **ICP AP** ODT: ≥6months—3 yrs 2mg - single dose only 4yrs—9yrs 4mg - single dose only 8mg - single dose only ≥10yrs