**DRUG:** GLYCEROL (GLYCERINE)

**PRESENTATION:**
- Suppositories for infants: 700mg
- Liquid:

**ACTION & INDICATION:** Osmotic laxative used to treat constipation. May also act through its local irritant effects and have lubricating and faecal softening actions.

**DOSE:**
- Suppository: cut a sliver from suppository
- Liquid: 0.1-0.2mL

**ADMINISTRATION:**
- Rectal.
  - If using liquid, draw up volume in a syringe, attach a “clot catcher” to the end of the syringe and administer rectally

**ADVERSE EFFECTS:**
- Local irritation

**REFERENCES:**
- Mercy Maternity Hospital Melbourne

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