

**OSF HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
ADULT POTASSIUM REPLACEMENT ORDER SET**

If the patient has the following conditions they are excluded from this order set

- Patient is oliguric (urine output less than 400 mL/d)
- Patient's creatinine is greater than 2.5 mg/dL
- Patient has symptomatic hypokalemia and requires high dose potassium replacement
- Age less than 16 years

PO replacement: *Recommended option if K⁺ between 3.0 to 4.0 mmol/L and patient is asymptomatic.*

For potassium level between 3.6 to 4.0 mmol/L

- KCL 20 meq po BID times 2 doses (Micro K - may substitute)
OR
- KCL 20 meq po/ng BID times 2 doses (K-Lor - may substitute).
- Serum K⁺ in am.

For potassium level between 3.0 to 3.5 mmol/L give

- KCL 20 meq po TID times 3 doses (Micro K⁺ - may substitute)
OR
- KCL 20 meq po/ng TID times 3 doses (K-Lor – may substitute).
- Stat Serum K⁺ 6 hours after 3rd dose.
- Call lab result to ordering physician

Physician Signature

Date