### PILOCARPINE HCL 2%, 3%, 4% EYE DROPS

CLASS: Ophthalmic Agent, Antiglaucoma; Ophthalmic Agent, Miotic

**INDICATIONS:** Management of chronic simple glaucoma, chronic and acute angle-closure glaucoma

### **AVAILABLE DOSAGE FROM THE HOSPITAL:**

PILOCARPINE HCL 2% EYE DROPS, PILOCARPINE HCL 3% EYE DROPS, PILOCARPINE HCL 4% EYE DROPS

### **DOSAGE:**

## -Glaucoma: Ophthalmic:

- -Solution: Instill 1-2 drops up to 6 times/day; adjust the concentration and frequency as required to control elevated intraocular pressure.
- -Gel: Instill 0.5" ribbon into lower conjunctival sac once daily at bedtime.
- **-To counteract the mydriatic effects of sympathomimetic agents (unlabeled use):** Ophthalmic: Solution: Instill 1 drop of a 1% solution in the affected eye.

### Geriatric

Refer to adult dosing.

# **COMMON SIDE EFFECT:** Frequency not defined.

Cardiovascular: Hypertension, tachycardia

Gastrointestinal: Diarrhea, nausea, salivation, vomiting

Ocular: Burning, ciliary spasm, conjunctival vascular congestion, corneal granularity (gel 10%), lacrimation, lens opacity, myopia, retinal detachment, supraorbital or temporal headache, visual acuity decreased

Respiratory: Bronchial spasm, pulmonary edema

Miscellaneous: Diaphoresis

PREGNANCY RISK FACTORS: C