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MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
 PRACTICAL SKILL
 INTRAVENOUS PUSH
 MEDICATION

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Purpose: To deliver medication directly into the blood stream for slower distribution to the rest of the body, preventing adverse reactions		Indications: Patients with IV access who need medication with higher probability of adverse reaction due to rapid administration	
Advantages: Delivers medication slowly to the circulatory system for distribution throughout the body	Disadvantages: Must have IV access	Complications: Irritation to the vein by medication injected Extravasation of medication into subQ tissue if IV infiltrates	Contraindications: Infiltration of IV line Injury to the venous system proximal to the injection site

