

MEDICATION REFERENCE LIST

CALCIUM CHLORIDE

1. **Classification:** electrolyte
2. **Physiologic Effect:** increases the cardiac contractile state and enhances ventricular automaticity
3. **Major Indications:**
 - 3.1. **hyperkalemia**
 - 3.2. **calcium channel blocker toxicity**
4. **Primary Contraindications:**
 - 4.1. **hypercalcemia**
 - 4.2. **hypersensitivity**
5. **Relative Contraindication:** patients taking digitalis
6. **Side Effect:** may slow the heart rate
7. **Additional Information:** calcium chloride is incompatible with all other drugs; be sure to adequately flush the IV line before and after administration