Subcutaneous Immunoglobulin (SCIg) Product Dosing

Subcutaneous administration of immunoglobulin can be considered as an alternative to IVIg. The Criteria for Clinical Use of Immunoglobulin in Australia should be referred to for Medical Conditions/Indications that offer this method.

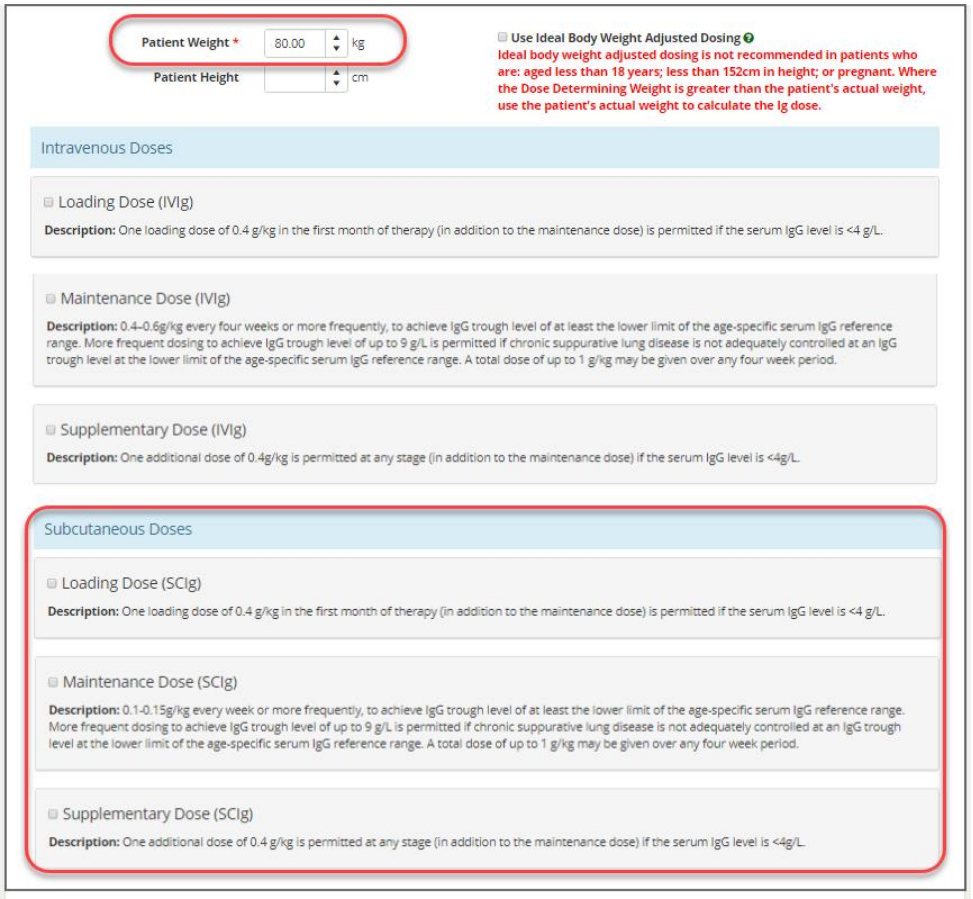
1. If entering an initial authorisation request, complete all of the details as required, until the dosing section is reached. You can follow the instructions on the BloodSTAR – Initial Authorisation Request Tip Sheet.

2. If entering a dose change request, follow the instructions on the BloodSTAR – Product or Dose Change Request until you reach the dose change request details section.

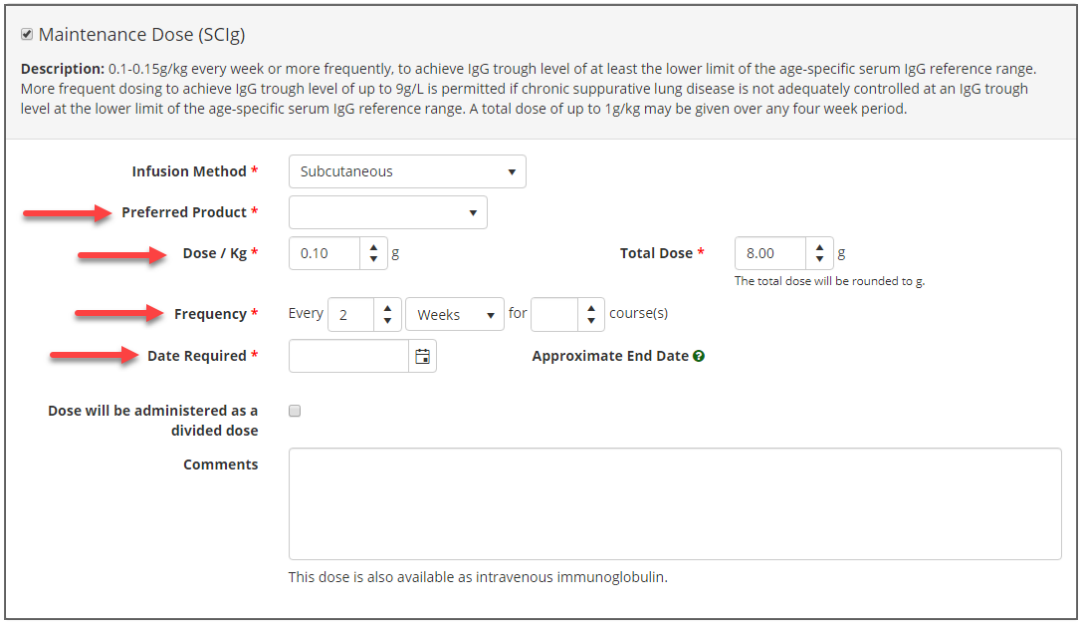
Please note: You will need be logged into a hospital participating in the National SCIg program to request 'Subcutaneous' dosing. The facility list is available at https://www.blood.gov.au/SCIg.

Additionally, the patient's treating and/or administering facility will need to have a SCIg approved facility listed to request 'Subcutaneous' dosing.

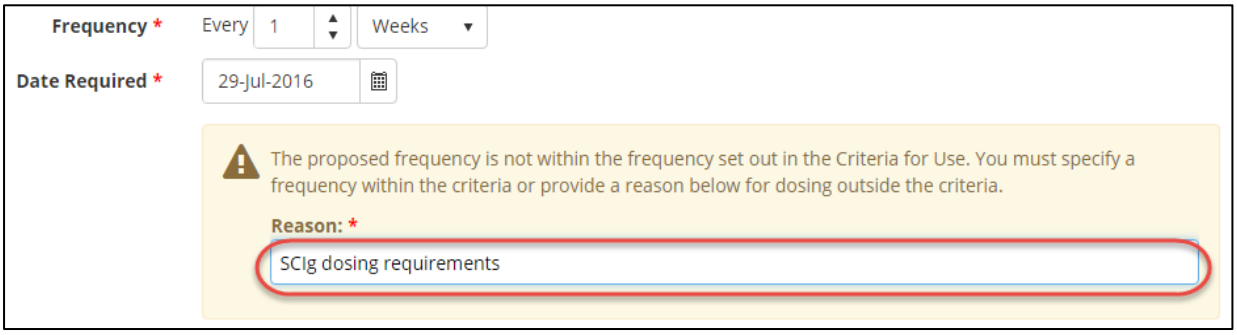
3. Enter the patient's weight. If subcutaneous doses are available for the chosen medical condition/indication, subcutaneous doses will be displayed below the intravenous dose section. Select the required dose by checking the tick box next to the dose name.



4. Select the *Preferred Product*, *Dose / Kg*, *Frequency* and *Date Required* for the first dose.



5. As the SCIg dose controlling has not been set in BloodSTAR system, you may be presented with a system alert message, advising you that the dose and/or frequency you have selected is outside what has been set out in the criteria for use. You will need to provide a reason in the free text *Reason* field provided e.g. “SCIg dosing requirements”



6. Once all required details have been entered, confirm your contact details and tick the box to indicate all information submitted is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and then click *Submit*.

7. Your request will be submitted to the Australian Red Cross Lifeblood authorisers for assessment. You will receive an email and an in-system notification when the request has been actioned.

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