Advantages and disadvantages of both the intravenous and subcutaneous routes of medication administration

Abstract:

The subcutaneous route for medication administration can prove highly effective both in terms of reliability and clinical outcomes. It is also well tolerated by patients for whom the enteral route is not an option. This extended feature comment reviews the advantages and disadvantages of both the intravenous and subcutaneous routes of medication administration for patients requiring palliation.

Other intravenous and vascular access resources that may be of interest (External links – IVTEAM has no responsibility for content).

Guide for intravenous chemotherapy and associated vascular access devices from Macmillan.
An example of peripheral cannulation OSCE from OSCE Skills.