

**PROTOCOL FOR HYDRATION WHEN USING RIFAPENTINE AND ISONIAZID
TWELVE WEEK DRUG REGIMEN**

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TO: All WV Local Health Departments

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1. One hour before dosing with RPT/INH have patient eat a small nonfat meal.
2. One hour before dosing with RPT/INH have patient drink 8 ozs. of no caffeine fluid.
3. Have patient continue to drink 8 ozs. of no caffeine fluid every hour for six hours after dosing.
4. Provide education to the patient regarding importance of this hydration protocol to prevent side effects of the medication which can include severe hypotension.