



INFUSIONS-NEW MEASURE FOR IPS CARE

IPS is treated with the age-old 3 component medical protocol: (1) Suppress inflammation, (2) Repair damaged tissue, (3) Pain control. Intravenous infusions may prove to be a significant addition to IPS treatment and all IPS patients are encouraged to attempt them. Our IPS Research and Education Project also encourages medical practitioners to begin offering infusion services.

WHY INFUSIONS WORK

Intravenous infusions work because the medication that is injected by-passes the mouth, esophagus, stomach, intestine, and liver. They take enough medication right to the anatomic body sites that need it which, in the case of IPS, may include the spinal cord and brain, as well as other tissues that may be damaged. Some IPS patients report pain reduction of over 50% after an infusion. Others have increased energy and a much better feeling of well-being and hope. The positive effects may last up to six months. Below are the infusions being used and their goals of treatment. We want to know your experience with infusions!

<u>INFUSION</u>	<u>GOAL</u>
1. Ketamine	Reset pain receptors and reduce pain.
2. NAD (Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide)	Suppress inflammation and regrow damaged tissue.
3. Glutathione	Regrow damaged tissue.
4. Vitamin C	Suppress inflammation and regrow damaged tissue.
5. Lidocaine	Reset pain receptors and reduce pain.

CURRENT STATUS: We see that intravenous infusion, as well as single, intermittent intravenous therapy may prove to be an enduring treatment approach. Only time will tell if infusions are here to stay.

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