ST NRT Dosing Algorithm

Spit Tobacco Algorithm

ST / Week	Patch / Gum / Lozenge Dosage	Comments
2 tins or less /	Patch: 14 mg. x 4 weeks	If patch adjust dosage to
week	7 mg. x 4 weeks	be 14 mg as starting
	Gum / Lozenge*: 8 – 12 4-mg pieces per day x 8 weeks	dose. (14 mg x4 weeks; 7
	(not to exceed 24/20 pieces per day)	mg x 4 weeks)
		If prt is concurrently using any other form of tobacco w/ ST, increase starting dosage to 21 mg patch
>2 but <5 tins /	Patch: 21 mg plus gum or lozenge*	
week	21 mg x 4 weeks	
	14 mg x 2 weeks	
	7 mg x 2 weeks	
	As needed gum / lozenge*: 4 – 8 pieces per day /4 mg	
	OR:	
	Gum / Lozenge*: 12 – 16 4-mg pieces per day x 8 weeks (not to exceed 24/20 pieces per day)	
5 or more tins/week	Patch: 21 mg plus 4-mg gum or lozenge*: 1 per waking hour	
	OR:	
	Gum/Lozenge*: 16 – 20 / 4-mg gum or lozenge per day for 8	
	weeks (not to exceed 24/20 pieces per day)	

^{*} for Lozenge enter First Tobacco Use to indicate within 30 minutes of waking