

Subject: Medical Control
Sedation (Chemical Restraint)

Associated Policies:

I. Indications:

- A. Anxiety communicated by patient not relieved with other calming measures. (**On base orders only**).
- B. Combative behavior that endangers patient or caregivers.

II. Contraindications:

- A. Absolute- Sensitivity to Midazolam.
- B. Relative
 - 1. Nausea/vomiting
 - 2. Depressed mentation*
 - 3. Hypotension*
 - 4. Suspected drug/alcohol intoxication*
 - 5. Head injury*
 - 6. Multiple systems trauma*
 - 7. Concomitant narcotic administration*

*These may be the proximate cause for the condition that requires proposed sedation. Discuss these conditions fully with medical control prior to sedation.

III. Midazolam:

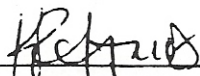
A. Adult

- 1. IV: 1-2.5 mg slow IV (over 2-3 min);
may be repeated if necessary in small increments (total maximum dose to 0.1 mg/kg not to exceed 10 mg)
- 2. IM: 5 mg (0.07 mg/kg) IM
- 3. Nasal, maximum dose 10 mg (IN administration must be of the 5:1 concentration, no more than 1.0 ml per nostril).

B. Pediatric-0.1-0.3 mg/kg slow IV push, 0.1 mg/kg, max 5 mg.

C. Special Information:

- 1. Never give without resuscitation equipment available.
- 2. Consider ½ nomal dosaging for patients > 60 years of age.
- 3. USE OF SEDATION SHALL BE REVIEWED BY THE BASE HOSPITAL.

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