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# Purpose:

A. To serve as a treatment standard for patients exhibiting signs and symptoms of seizure.

## Authority:

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

#### Protocol:

## A. For any Altered Level of Consciousness (ALOC), consider AEIOUTIPS:

Alcohol	Trauma
Epilepsy	Infection
Insulin	Psychiatric
Overdose	Stroke or Cardiovascular
Uremia	

## B. Seizures:

- 1. Active Seizures.
- 2. Focal Seizures with respiratory compromise.
- 3. Recurrent seizures without lucid interval.

## BLS

- Supplemental O2 as necessary to maintain SpO2 ≥ 94%. Use the lowest concentration and flow rate of O2 as possible.
  - 2. Airway adjuncts as needed.
  - 3. Assess for possible trauma per PD# 8015
  - 4. apply spinal motion restriction when indicated per PD# 8044.
  - 5. Perform blood sugar determination.
  - 6. If patient is seizing, protect the patient from further injury.
- 7. Transport.

#### ALS

- 1. Airway adjuncts as needed.
- 2. Initiate vascular access and titrate to a SBP > 90 mmHg.
- **3.** If blood sugar  $\leq$  60 mg/dl, refer to PD# 8002.
- 4. Assess and treat the possibility of substance abuse per PD# 8004.

- 5. Midazolam:
  - 0.1mg/Kg in 2 mg increments slow IV push, or IN titrate to seizure control (max dose 6 mg).
  - If IV or IN not available Midazolam may be given IM 0.1 mg/Kg (max dose 6 mg) in single IM injection (may be split into 2 sites if sufficient muscle mass is not present for a single injection site).
- 6. \*\*Diazepam:
  - May substitute Diazepam when there is a recognized pervasive shortage of Midazolam. 5-10 mg IVP to control seizures. If no IV access, 10 mg IM. May repeat once. Max dose 20 mg.
- 7. Cardiac Monitoring.

\*Intranasal medications are to be delivered through an atomization device with one-half the indicated dose administered in each nostril.

\*\*Diazepam may be used when Midazolam is not available or when using Diazepam from CHEMPACK supplies.

Cross Reference: PD# 2032 - Controlled Substance PD# 8044 – Spinal Motion Restrictions (SMR) PD# 8015 – Trauma PD# 8004 – Suspected Narcotic Overdose