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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

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#### B. Seizures:

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

## **BLS**

- 1. 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 Spinal Motion Restrictions
- 5. Perform blood sugar determination. Refer to PD# 8002 Diabetic Emergencies
- 6. If the patient is seizing, protect the patient from further injury.
- 7. Transport.

#### **ALS**

- 1. Supplemental 0₂ as necessary to maintain SpO₂≥ 94%. Use the lowest concentration and flow rate of O₂ as possible.
- 2. Airway adjuncts as needed.
- 3. Initiate vascular access and titrate to a SBP > 90 mmHg.
- 4. If Perform blood sugar determination. ≤ 60 mg/dl, refer to PD# 8002 Diabetic Emergencies.
- 5. Assess and treat the possibility of substance abuse per PD# 8004.

#### 6. 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).

# 7. \*\*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.
- 8. 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# 8002 - Diabetic Emergencies

PD# 8004 – Suspected Narcotic Overdose

PD# 8015 – Trauma

PD# 8044 – Spinal Motion Restrictions (SMR)