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EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES PROGRAM

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Emergency Medical Services Program

Approved

Medical Director

Subject: SEIZURES

I. BLS Treatment Protocol:

- A. Treat life threats. (See Policy 4000).
- B. Protect patient from injury. Spinal precautions as indicated
- C. Prepare for transport / transfer of care.

II. ALS Treatment Protocol:

- A. Treat life threats. (See Policy 4000).
- B. Do BG Chem and if less than 70 mg/dl treat as needed.
- C. If persistent seizures, administer Versed, 0.2mg/kg IM (maximum dose 10mg) or 0.1mg/kg IV (maximum dose 5mg). *
- D. Transport.
- E. Contact Base Station.

Notes:

*After max dose, contact Base Station for additional doses. In higher doses Versed may cause respiratory depression.

Status epilepticus is a true medical emergency defined as either continuous seizures lasting at least five minutes or two or more discrete seizures between which there is an incomplete recovery of consciousness.

Continuous EKG, pulse oximetry, and blood pressure monitoring are mandatory during and after administration of Versed.