Michigan MEDICATION SECTION MEDICATION SUBSTITUTION

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Medication Substitution

Purpose:

This protocol allows for MCA to substitute medications during a time of shortage without having to enact emergency protocols within the MCA. This protocol does not replace or override any portion of the **Medication Shortage Procedure**. All procedures within that procedure must still be followed in regards to substitutions in concentration or medication.

Indications:

- 1. Medications indicated in the primary protocol are not available.
- 2. No other medication is listed in primary protocols as accepted by the MCA for use.

Procedure:

- 1. Follow Medication Shortage Procedure.
- 2. Alternate concentrations are listed within this protocol for reference; these do not require a protocol change and are outlined in the **Medication Shortage Procedure**.
- 3. Notification and education of providers within the MCA should be done as soon as the substitution is known.
 - a. It is the responsibility of the MCA to distribute information on the shortages and substitutions to agencies for distribution to providers.
 - b. If a substitution is imminent, it is acceptable for an MCA to distribute information prior to the medication being substituted.
- 4. The MCA should notify the Division of EMS and Trauma if a substitution is suspected to last more than 60 days so that a more permanent protocol solution can be enacted.
- 5. All uses of substitute medications will be reviewed by PSRO for appropriateness.

Current Medication	Alternate A	Alternate B	Protocols
Atropine	Epinephrine 2-10 mcg/min infusion Pediatric 0.1 mcg/kg/min	Transcutaneous Pacing	Bradycardia
Amiodarone	Lidocaine 1-1.5 mg/kg IV Pediatric 1 mg/kg IV	Procainamide 20 mg/min, max 17 mg/kg IV/IO Pediatric 15 mg/kg IV/IO over 60 minutes	Adult and Pediatric Cardiac Arrest – General Adult and Pediatric Tachycardia
Calcium Chloride	Calcium Gluconate 20 ml of 10% solution administered over 1 to 2 minutes IV (adults only)		Poisoning/Overdose Cardiac Arrest – General (Adult)
Dextrose 50%, 50 ml	Dextrose 10%, 250 ml IV Pediatric Dextrose 10% 5 ml/kg IV	Glucagon 1 mg Pediatric 0.05 mg/kg, up to 1 mg IM	Adult and Pediatric Altered Mental Status Adult and Pediatric Seizures
Diphenhydramine	Famotidine 20 mg IV Pediatric 0.25 mg IV Or Ranitidine 50 mg IV Pediatric 0.1 mg/kg IV	Hydroxyzine 50 mg IM Pediatric 0.1 mg/kg IM	Allergic Reaction

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Lidocaine	Amiodarone: 1. For Recurrent VF/VT: Adults 300 mg IV/IO repeat 150 mg one time. Pediatrics 5 mg/kg IV 2. Wide complex Tach 150 mg x 2 PRN, pediatric 5 mg/kg IV	Procainamide 20 mg/min, max 17 mg/kg IV/IO Pediatric 15 mg/kg IV/IO over 60 minutes	Adult and Pediatric Cardiac Arrest – General Adult and Pediatric Tachycardia	
Morphine	Fentanyl 1 mcg/kg	Hydromorphone 2 mg IV or IM Pediatric 0.05 mg/kg max dose 2 mg	Pain Management	
Fentanyl	Morphine 4 mg IV/IO Pediatrics 0.1 mg/kg IV	Hydromorphone 2 mg IV or IM Pediatric 0.05 mg/kg max dose 2 mg	Pain Management	
Midazolam (Versed)	Lorazepam 2 mg or 0.05 mg/kg IV	Diazepam 5 mg IV Pediatric 0.1 mg/kg	Adult and Pediatric Seizures Patient Sedation Excited Delirium	
Ondansetron (Zofran)	Promethazine 12.5 mg IM Pediatric 0.25 mg/kg IM	Compazine 10 mg Pediatric 0.1mg/ kg	Nausea/Vomiting	
Diazepam (Valium)	Midazolam 5 mg IV Pediatrics 0.1 mg/kg	Lorazepam 2mg IV Pediatrics 0.1 mg/kg IV	Adult Seizures	
Ketamine	Midazolam 5 mg IV Pediatrics 0.1 mg/kg	Fentanyl 1 mcg/kg	Patient Sedation Excited Delirium	
Midazolam	Patient Sedation: Ketamine 0.2 mg/kg IV/IO slowly Excited Delirium Adults only 4 mg/kg IM	Lorazepam 2mg IV Pediatrics 0.1 mg/kg IV	Patient Sedation Excited Delirium	
Epinephrine 1mg/10ml	Epinephrine 1mg/1ml 30mL Vial 1. Expel 1mL of normal saline from a 10mL syringe (pre-filled) 2. Instill 1mg(mL) of Epinephrine 1:1,000 from 30 mL vial in to pre-filled syringe 3. 30mL vials are to be single patient use only			
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