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Protocol Update Information

To: ALS Agencies and Providers in the Susquehanna Region

From: Dr. Martin Masarech, MD, REMAC Vice-Chair

Date: September 17, 2015

Re: Versed (Midazolam) Dosage change in the Agitated Patient Restraint/Excited Delirium protocol

Please disseminate this information to all your credentialed ALS providers.

Because this is a dosage change only no training or evaluation is required.

The REMAC has approved an increase in the amount of Versed (Midazolam) that may be given for sedation. The increased dose is 5mg IV or 10mg IM or IN, may repeat once in 5 minutes. All other portions of the original protocol must be followed as appropriate. The minimum number required in the formulary has no changed.

This increased dose may be used in the Susquehanna Region immediately. The collaborative protocol PDFs and smartphone apps will be updated shortly, once all the REMACs in the group have approved the increase.

This change is in response to an increase state-wide in agitated patients, secondary to usage of synthetic marijuana or similar drugs, coupled with data from Syracuse that showed a lack of adequate sedation under the original maximum dose.

If you have any questions please contact the program agency.