

INTRANASAL MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURE

Indications

- No IV access with the following symptoms:
 - Status epilepticus
 - Suspected narcotic overdose with respiratory depression
 - Apparent or reported pain level >6

Equipment

- MAD adapter (atomizer)
- Syringe
- Suction

- With medication in syringe, attach atomizer
- Do not lubricate tip

- Stabilizing the head, place applicator in nares and briskly compress the syringe plunger

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Be attentive to excessive oral secretions, vomiting, and adequate tidal volume

Critical Information

- Contraindications:
 - Epistaxis
 - Complete mucosal blockage of both nostrils
 - Nasal trauma
 - Any recognizable abnormalities
 - Retropharyngeal lacerations/dissections