



## **9. ORAL GLUCOSE**

### **a) Indications**

- (1) Altered mental status with known diabetic history
- (2) Unconscious for an unknown reason

### **b) Adverse Effects**

Not clinically significant

### **c) Precautions**

Patient without gag reflex may aspirate.

### **d) Contraindications**

Not clinically significant

### **e) Preparations**

10–15 grams of glucose (contained in 24, 30, or 37.5 gram tube)

### **f) Dosage**

- (1) Adult: Administer 10–15 grams of glucose paste between the gum and cheek. Consider single additional dose of glucose paste if not improved after 10 minutes.
- (2) Pediatric: Administer 10–15 grams of glucose paste between the gum and cheek; this may be accomplished through several small administrations. Consider single additional dose of glucose paste if not improved after 10 minutes.