



## NEONATAL MEDICATION PROTOCOLS

**DIAZEPAM**  
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<b>DRUG:</b>	<b>DIAZEPAM</b>
<b>PRESENTATION:</b>	Ampoule: 10mg/2mL
<b>ACTION &amp; INDICATION:</b>	Benzodiazepine. Used as anticonvulsant to treat seizures (NOT DRUG OF FIRST CHOICE - see <i>Phenobarbitone</i> ).
<b>DOSE:</b>	100 – 300microgram /kg /dose Repeat dose every 15-30 minutes when necessary
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>	Intravenous: over 3 - 5 minutes. DO NOT DILUTE INTRAMUSCULAR ADMINISTRATION IS NOT RECOMMENDED.
<b>ADVERSE EFFECTS:</b>	Respiratory depression, hypotension CNS depression, phlebitis Contraindicated in jaundiced infants
<b>REFERENCES:</b>	Paediatric Pharmacopoeia 13 <sup>th</sup> Ed. Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne BNF for Children 2013
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