# SEIZURES

## ALL PROVIDERS

#### Focused history and physical exam

- Blood glucose, temperature and oxygen saturation assessment
- Determine possibility of third trimester pregnancy, if appropriate
- Assess scene for possible toxin, overdose or trauma
- Cardiac monitor, ETCO2, and pulse oximetry monitoring, when available

#### Treatment Plan

- Do not restrain, but do provide protection from injury during the tonic-clonic phase
- Spinal motion restriction per Selective Spinal Immobilization Guideline
- Ensure patients experiencing febrile seizures are not excessively dressed or bundled
- Any child <12 months old with seizure activity should be encouraged to be transported

#### Key Considerations:

- Intranasal (IN) and intramuscular (IM) routes are preferred for first line administration of benzodiazepines
- Intravenous (IV) administration of benzodiazepines is appropriate once an IV is in place
- Rectal administration is not recommended

#### ADULT

## PEDIATRIC (<15 years of Age)

NOTE: Pediatric weight based dosing should not exceed Adult dosing.

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- Assist patient's family or caretaker with any home medication treatments

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Advanced airway, vascular access and fluid therapy per IV/IO Access and Fluid Therapy Guidelines

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#### • Midazolam

IN/IM/IV/IO – 5 mg, may repeat once in 5 minutes, if needed. Total max dose: 10mg

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- Intranasal (IN): 0.3 mg/kg (max 5 mg), may repeat once in 5 minutes, if needed. Total max dose: 10 mg
- Intramuscular (IM): 0.15 mg/kg (max 5 mg): may repeat once in 10 minutes, if needed. Total max dose: 10 mg
- IV/IO 0.1 mg/kg (max 5 mg), may repeat once in 5 minutes, if needed. Total max dose: 10 mg

Contact OLMC for dosages above those provided or use of medication NOT fitting the guideline parameters

#### PARAMEDIC

- Pregnant females with eclampsia/seizures
  - Magnesium sulfate 4 gm IM or 4 IV/IO gm over 15 to 30 min

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Magnesium Sulfate – For pediatric patients who are pregnant and having a seizure contact OLMC

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