



**REGION 11 CHICAGO EMS SYSTEM
DRUG TABLE**

Drug Name: Diazepam

Approved: EMS Medical Directors Consortium

DRUG NAME - GENERIC	Diazepam
DRUG NAME - TRADE	Valium, Diastat
DRUG CLASSIFICATION	- Benzodiazepine, sedative-hypnotic, anticonvulsant
DOSAGE FORMS	5 mg/1 mL
ACTION(S)	- Suppresses seizures, causes sedation and muscle relaxation - Enhances effects of GABA neurotransmitter - CNS depressant
INDICATIONS	- Active seizure - Alternative to midazolam and lorazepam for seizures
CONTRAINDICATIONS	- Known or documented hypersensitivity - Acute narrow angle glaucoma - Severe respiratory insufficiency (except during mechanical ventilation) - Caution in COPD, renal failure, CHF, elderly, pregnancy, concomitant alcohol or CNS depressant medication use
ADULT DOSE / ROUTE	- 2- 5mg IV/IO. May repeat x1 after 5 min. - Max dose: 10mg
PEDIATRIC DOSE / ROUTE	- 0.1- 0.3 mg/kg IV/IO slow push over 2-3 min. May repeat x1 after 5 min. - Max dose <5 years: 5mg, ≥ 5 years: 10mg
SIDE EFFECTS	- Excessive CNS depression, apnea, amnesia, confusion, ataxia, hypotension, euphoria, and rarely paradoxical reactions (aggressiveness, restlessness)