Medication Formulary

Class IV scheduled / controlled substance

Generic Name: Lorazepam

Brand Name: Ativan

Class: Benzodiazepine – sedative-hypnotic, anticonvulsant

Actions: Depresses CNS, depresses seizure activity by enhancing presynaptic inhibition.

Onset: Within minutes.

Duration: 3-6 hours

Indications: Seizures, status epilepticus.

Contraindications: Hypersensitivity, CNS depression, glaucoma, pregnancy.

Side Effects: Vertigo, headache, drowsiness, hypotension, respiratory depression, increased intra ocular pressure.

Interactions: CNS depressants, do not give together with any drug.

Administration Routes: IV, IN, IO