**Class and Action:** Benzodiazepine; CNS depressant, raises seizure threshold, produces relaxation, sedation, and amnesia.

**Indications:** Seizures, anxiety, alcohol withdrawal, sedation for procedures

**Contraindications:** Hypersensitivity, substance abuse, CNS depression, shock, respiratory depression

**Side Effects:** Hypotension, tachycardia, respiratory depression, ataxia, CNS depression, confusion, nausea

**Drug Interactions:** May potentiate other CNS depressants, incompatible with most medications

**Onset, Duration, and Routes:** Onset is 1-5 minutes for IV and 15-20 minutes for IM; Duration is 15-60 minutes for both IV and IO.

**Adult Dose:**
- Patient Specific

**Pediatric Dose:**
- Patient Specific

**WDM EMS Protocols:**

**Special Considerations:**
- Does not alter pain threshold

Protocol: H11. Diazepam
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