**Class and Action:** Benzodiazepine (short acting); benzodiazepine that helps relieve apprehension or impair memory prior to medical procedures by binding to the GABA receptors.

**Indications:** Sedation, premedication for procedures such as intubation or cardioversion.

**Contraindications:** Hypersensitivity, glaucoma, shock, coma, intoxication, depressed vital signs

**Side Effects:** Respiratory depression, hiccough, cough, pain at injection site, N/V, headache, vision disturbance, hypotension

**Drug Interactions:** Potentiated by other CNS depressants

**Onset, Duration, and Routes:** Onset is 1-3 minutes with a duration in 2-6 hours. Routes of administration are IV, IO, IM, or IN.

**Adult Dose:**
- Airway analgesic/sedation 0.05-0.1 mg/kg, max 5 mg
- Infusion 2-15 mg/hr, continuation/interfacility only
- **I8. Versed Infusion Chart**
  - Anxiety 1-2.5 mg IV/IO
  - Seizures 0.2 mg/kg max 10 mg IM
  - Seizures 0.1 mg/kg max single dose 4 mg, max total 6 mg

**Pediatric Dose:**
- Airway analgesic/sedation 0.05-0.1 mg/kg, max 5 mg
- Infusion - contact medical control
- Agitation 0.02 mg/kg IV/IO, max 2.5 mg
- Seizures 0.2 mg/kg max 5 mg IM/IN
- Seizures 0.2 mg/kg max single dose 4 mg, max total 6 mg

**WDM EMS Protocols:**
- A1. Advanced Airway Analgesic/Sedation
- C3. Agitation
- C10. Seizures
- I8. Versed Infusion

**Special Considerations:**
- Make sure to monitor patient closely and do not administer with calcium channel blockers.