

EMT Medicine List Covered

Sr. No.	Medicine	Main EMT Use
1	 Adrenaline 1:1000	 Anaphylaxis / severe allergic reaction
2	 Aspirin 300 mg	 Cardiac chest pain / suspected myocardial infarction
3	 Chlorphenamine	 Allergic reaction / adjunct in anaphylaxis
4	 Diazepam	 Seizure / fits
5	 Glyceryl Trinitrate (GTN)	 Angina / cardiac chest pain with adequate BP
6	 Ipratropium Bromide	 Acute asthma / COPD not responding to initial Salbutamol
7	 Oxygen	 Hypoxia, respiratory distress, trauma, cardiac or respiratory arrest
8	 Paracetamol	 Fever and mild to moderate pain
9	 Salbutamol	 Bronchospasm, asthma, COPD exacerbation
10	 Sodium Chloride 0.9% / Normal Saline	 IV fluid for shock, burns, crush injury and pre-hospital care
11	 Hydrocortisone	 Severe/recurrent anaphylaxis and refractory asthma

ADRENALINE (1:1,000)



CLASSIFICATION

Sympathetic agonist, Sympathomimetic – Vasoconstrictor.
Acts on both **alpha & beta receptors** and increases both **heart rate** and **contractility**.



PRESENTATION

Pre-filled syringe, ampoule or Auto injector.
1 mg/1 mL (1:1,000).



ADMINISTRATION

Intramuscular (IM).



INDICATIONS

Severe Allergic Reaction/ Anaphylaxis.



CONTRA-INDICATIONS

Hypersensitivity.



USUAL DOSAGES

ADULT: ANAPHYLAXIS

500 mcg IM (0.5 mL of 1:1,000).

PAEDIATRIC: ANAPHYLAXIS (EMT/P/AP) OR REFRACTORY SEVERE LIFE-THREATENING BRONCHOSPASM (P/AP):

 < 6 months	10 mcg/kg IM
 6 months to < 6 years	150 mcg (0.15 mL IM)
 ≥ 6 years to < 12 years	300 mcg (0.3 mL IM)
 ≥ 12 years	300 mcg (0.3 mL) (if child small or prepubital) or 500 mcg (0.5 mL IM)



SIDE EFFECTS

**Palpitations/ Tachyarrhythmia's/
Hypertension/ Angina-like symptoms.**



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



N.B. Double check the concentration on pack before use.

Aspirin



Classification

Antithrombotic – Antiplatelet Drug
which **reduces clot formation**.



Presentation

300 mg dispersible tablet.
300 mg Enteric Coated (EC) tablet.



Administration

Orally (PO) – dispersed in water,
or to be **chewed** if not dispersible form.



Indications

- **Cardiac chest pain** or **suspected myocardial infarction**.
- Management of **unstable angina** and **non-ST-segment elevation** myocardial infarction (**NSTEMI**).
- Management of **ST-segment elevation** myocardial infarction (**STEMI**).



Contra-Indications

Active symptomatic **gastrointestinal (GI) ulcer**/
Bleeding disorder (e.g. haemophilia)/
Known **severe adverse reaction**/
Patients **< 16 years old** (risk of Reye's Syndrome).



Usual Dosages

Adult:

- **300 mg** tablet.

Paediatric:

- **Contraindicated**.



Side effects

Epigastric pain and discomfort/ **Bronchospasm**/ **Gastrointestinal hemorrhage**/ Increased **bleeding times**/ skin reactions in hypersensitive Patients.



Additional information

Aspirin 300 mg is indicated for **cardiac chest pain**, regardless if patient is on an **anti-coagulant** or is already on **Aspirin**. If the patient has swallowed **Aspirin EC (enteric coated)** preparation **without chewing** it the patient should be regarded as **not having taken any Aspirin**; administer **300 mg PO**.



CHLORPHENAMINE

Sedating Antihistamine – H1 receptor antagonist



CLASSIFICATION

Sedating Antihistamine –
H1 receptor antagonist.



PRESENTATION

- 10 mg in 1 mL ampoule.
- 4 mg tablet.



ADMINISTRATION

Intravenous (IV),
Intramuscular (IM).
Anaphylaxis or allergic reaction.



INDICATIONS

Anaphylaxis or
allergic reaction.



CONTRA-INDICATIONS

Known severe adverse reaction/
unconscious.



QUICK FACTS



**SEDATING
ANTIHISTAMINE**



**H1 RECEPTOR
ANTAGONIST**



**USE IN ANAPHYLAXIS
& ALLERGIC REACTION**



USUAL DOSAGES

For IV route, administer over 1 minute

IV: May dilute with Sodium Chloride 0.9% for
convenient administration volume of small doses.

PAEDIATRIC:

Severity: Age			Dose and route of administration
Severe	 1 month – 6 months		0.25 mg/kg IM or 0.25 mg/kg IV.
	 > 6 months - < 6 years		2.5 mg IM or 2.5 mg IV.
	 6 to < 12 years		5 mg IM or 5 mg IV.
	 ≥ 12 years		10 mg IM or 10 mg IV.

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ADULT



Allergic reaction

Severe/Anaphylaxis:

10 mg IM or 10 mg IV.



SIDE EFFECTS



Causes drowsiness,
do not drive or
operate machinery.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Use with caution in epilepsy/ Prostatic
hypertrophy/ Glaucoma/ Hepatic disease/
Bronchitis/ Bronchiectasis/ Thyrotoxicosis/
Raised intra-ocular pressure/ Severe
hypertension/ cardiovascular disease/
Bronchial asthma.



USE ONLY AS DIRECTED BY A QUALIFIED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL



**EMERGENCY CARE
ALLERGY MANAGEMENT**

DIAZEPAM



Classification

Hypnotics, sedatives and anxiolytics: Benzodiazepine. CNS depressant that acts as an anticonvulsant and sedative.



Presentation

Ampoule **10 mg** in **2 mL**.



Administration

Intravenous (IV).



Indications

Seizure/ Fits



Contra-Indications

Known **severe adverse reaction/ Respiratory depression/ Shock/ Depressed vital signs** or **alcohol-related** altered level of consciousness.



Usual Dosages

Adult:

- **5 mg IV.**

Paediatric:

- **> 1 month: 0.1 mg/kg IV.**

Maximum 4 doses of Benzodiazepine for adult and Paediatric patients.



Side effects

Hypotension/ Respiratory depression/ Drowsiness and light-headedness (the next day). Confusion.
Specific side effects with IV route (rare):
Psychiatric disorder.



Additional information

- Diazepam can cause **injection site reactions/ thrombophlebitis**, ensure large vein is used.
- The **maximum dose** of Diazepam includes that administered by care prior to arrival of practitioner.
- If a patient **recommences seizing**, regard it as a new event, administer **one dose** of **Benzodiazepine**, then **consult medical advice.**



GLYCERYL TRINITRATE (GTN)

A POTENT CORONARY VASODILATOR



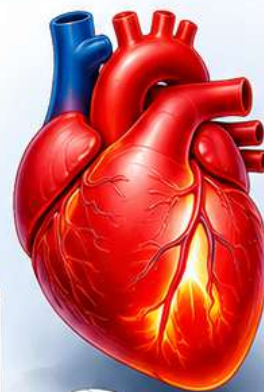
RELIEVES
ANGINA



REDUCES BP

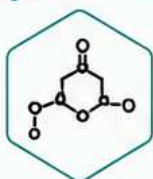


DILATION OF
SYSTEMIC VEINS



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CLASSIFICATION



Nitrate.
Potent coronary
vasodilator/ reduces BP/
Dilation of systemic veins.

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PRESENTATION

Sublingual:

0.5 mg



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ADMINISTRATION



Sublingual

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INDICATIONS



Angina/Chest Pain
suspected myocardial
infarction (MI) with
systolic BP $\geq$ 110 mmHg.

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CONTRA-INDICATIONS



SBP < 90 mmHg



Viagra or other
phosphodiesterase
type 5 inhibitors
(Sildenafil, Tadalafil
and Vardenafil)
used within
previous 24 hours



Severe
mitral stenosis



Known severe
adverse
reaction

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USUAL DOSAGES



ADULT:

Angina or MI: **0.5 mg** sublingual.
(Repeat at 3–5 min intervals,
Max: 120 mcg).

PAEDIATRIC:

Not indicate.

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SIDE EFFECTS



Headache



Transient
Hypotension



Flushing



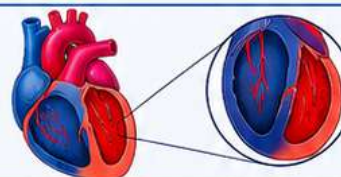
Dizziness

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



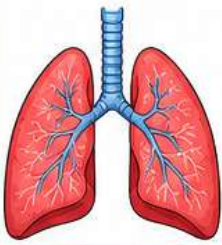
Caution with inferior wall MI with right ventricular
involvement as this may lead to **profound hypotension**.



USE WITH CAUTION • MONITOR BP • RELIEVE PAIN • SAVE LIVES

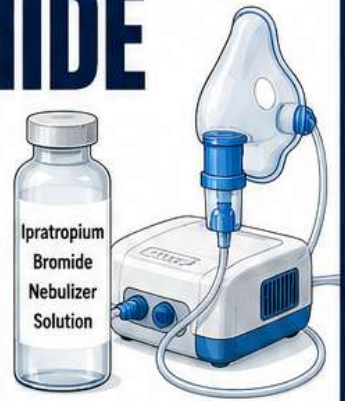


**RIGHT DRUG
RIGHT DOSE
BETTER OUTCOME**



IPRATROPIUM BROMIDE

BRONCHODILATOR • BETTER BREATHING • RELIEF



CLASSIFICATION

Inhaled Antimuscarinic:
Airways disease, Obstructive.



PRESENTATION

Nebulizer Solution 250 mcg in 1 mL.
(0.25 mg/mL).



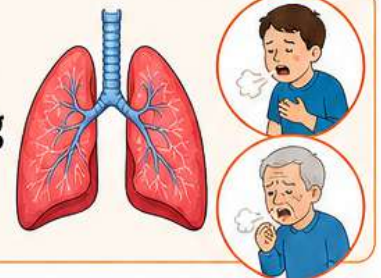
ADMINISTRATION

Nebulized (NEB) mixed with age specific dose of Salbutamol.



INDICATIONS

Acute moderate asthma, SOB or exacerbation of COPD not responding to initial Salbutamol dose.



CONTRA-INDICATIONS

Known severe adverse reaction.



USUAL DOSAGES

ADULT: 500 mcg NEB (Max 2 mg/24 hours).

PAEDIATRIC:



< 12 years: 250 mcg NEB (Max 1 mg/24 hours).

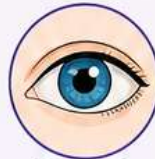
≥ 12 years: 500 mcg NEB (Max 2 mg/24 hours).



SIDE EFFECTS



Transient dry mouth



Blurred vision



Tachycardia



Headache



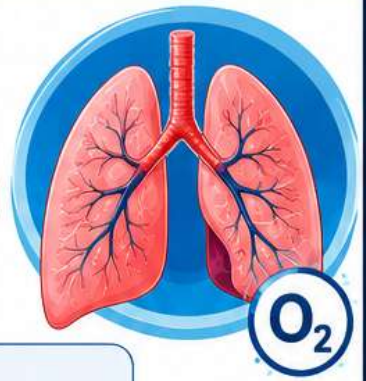
EFFECTIVE BRONCHODILATION • IMPROVED BREATHING • BETTER CARE





OXYGEN

ESSENTIAL FOR LIFE • SUPPORTS EVERY BREATH



CLASSIFICATION

Gas.



PRESENTATION

Medical gas:
White cylinder.



ADMINISTRATION

Inhalation via:



High concentration
reservoir
(non-Rebreather)
mask



Simple
face mask



Venturi
mask



Tracheostomy
mask



Nasal
cannula



CPAP
device



Bag Valve
Mask



INDICATIONS

- Absent / Inadequate ventilation following an acute medical or traumatic event. $\text{SpO}_2 < 94\%$ adults and $< 96\%$ Paediatric.
- $\text{SpO}_2 < 92\%$ for patients with acute exacerbation of **COPD**.



CONTRA-INDICATIONS

- Bleomycin lung injury.



USUAL DOSAGES

ADULT:

- Cardiac and respiratory arrest or sickle cell crisis: **100%**.
- Life threats identified during primary survey: **100%** until a reliable SpO_2 measurement obtained then titrate O_2 to achieve SpO_2 of **94% - 98%**.
- For patients with acute exacerbation of COPD, administer O_2 titrate to achieve SpO_2 **92%** or as specified on **COPD Oxygen Alert Card**.
- All other acute medical and trauma titrate O_2 to achieve SpO_2 **94% - 98%**.

PAEDIATRIC:

- Cardiac and respiratory arrest or sickle cell crisis: **100%**.



SIDE EFFECTS

- Prolonged use of O_2 with chronic COPD patients may lead to reduction in ventilation stimulus.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

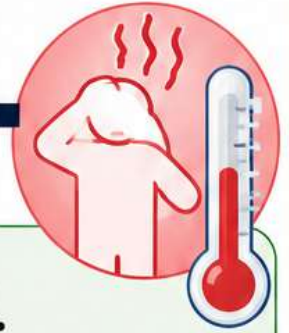
- Consider humidifier if oxygen therapy for Paediatric patients is **> 30 minutes** duration.
- Caution with paraquat poisoning, administer Oxygen if $\text{SpO}_2 < 92\%$.
- Avoid naked flames, powerful oxidizing agent



RIGHT OXYGEN • RIGHT PATIENT • RIGHT TIME • SAVE LIVES



PARACETAMOL



CLASSIFICATION

Analgesic – Non-opioid.



PRESENTATION

500 mg tablet.



ADMINISTRATION

Orally (PO).



INDICATIONS

- **Adult:** Pyrexia/ Temperature > 100F/
Mild or moderate pain.
- **Paediatric:** Pyrexia/ Temperature >100F/
Mild or moderate pain.



↑100°F



CONTRA-INDICATIONS

- < 1 month old/
- Known severe adverse reaction/
- Chronic liver disease.



USUAL DOSAGES

1 g PO.



SIDE EFFECTS

If Paracetamol IV is administered too fast it may result in hypotension.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If Paracetamol administered in the previous 4 hours, adjust the dose downward by the amount given by other sources resulting in a maximum of 15 mg/kg.



SAFE DOSING • BETTER RELIEF • BETTER CARE



Salbutamol



Classification

Beta-2 Adrenoceptor agonist selective –
Short acting.



Presentation

Nebule **5 mg** in **2.5 mL**.



Administration

- **Nebule** Inhalation via aerosol inhaler.



Indications

- **Bronchospasm/ Exacerbation of COPD/ Respiratory distress** following submersion incident.



Contra-Indications

- Known **severe adverse reaction**.



Usual Dosages

Adult:

- **5 mg NEB** or **100 mcg** metered aerosol spray (Repeat aerosol x 11). Repeat NEB at **5-minute intervals PRN**

Paediatric:

- **< 5 yrs - 2.5 mg NEB.**
- **> 5 yrs - 5 mg NEB.**
- (Repeat NEB at **5-minute intervals PRN**).



Side effects

- Tachycardia/ Tremors/ Tachyarrhythmias/ High doses may cause **Hypokalemia**.



Additional information

- If an oxygen driven nebuliser is used to administer Salbutamol for a patient with acute exacerbation of COPD it should be limited to **6 minutes maximum**.

Sodium Chloride 0.9% (NaCl)



Classification

Electrolytes & Minerals: **Isotonic crystalloid solution**



Presentation

500 mL and 1,000 mL.



Administration

- **IV infusion/ IV flush.**
- **Paramedic:** maintain infusion once commenced.



Indications

- IV fluid for **pre-hospital emergency care.**



Contra-Indications

- Known **severe adverse reaction.**



Usual Dosages

Adult:

- Keep vein open (**KVO**) or medication flush for **cardiac arrest PRN.**
- **Crush injury** - **20 mL/kg IV** infusion.
- **Suspension Trauma** – **2 L IV** (Maintain systolic BP > 90 mmHg).
- **Hypothermia:** **250 mL IV** infusion (warmed to 40°C approx.) (Repeat to max 1 L).
- **Shock from blood loss:** **500 mL IV** infusion. Repeat in aliquots of **250 mL IV** to maintain **SBP of 90-100 mmHg**. For associated Head injury with **GCS ≤ 8** maintain **SBP of 120 mmHg**.
- **Burns:** > **25% TBSA** and / or 1 hour from time of injury to ED, **1000 mL IV** infusion.
> **10% TBSA** consider **500 mL IV** infusion.
1,000 mL IV infusion.

Paediatric:

- **Glycaemic Emergency/ Neonatal Resuscitation/ Sickle Cell Crisis:** **10 mL/kg IV** infusion.



Pharmacology /Action

Isotonic crystalloid solution/ Fluid replacement



Side effects

- Excessive volume replacement may lead to **heart failure.**



Additional information

- **Sodium Chloride 0.9% (NaCl)** is the **IV fluid of choice** for **pre-hospital emergency care.**

Hydrocortisone



Classification

Systemic Corticosteroid and **anti-inflammatory**.



Presentation

Powder and solvent for solution for injection or infusion.
Vial containing off-white powder and vial containing water for injections.

- Prepare the solution **aseptically** by adding not more than **2 mL** of sterile water for injections to the contents of one **100 mg** vial, shake and withdraw for use.



Administration

- **Intravenous** (IV infusion).
 - **Intramuscular** (IM).
- The preferred route for initial emergency use is **intravenous**.



Indications

- **Severe or recurrent anaphylactic reactions.**
- **Asthma refractory to Salbutamol and Ipratropium Bromide.**



Contra-Indications

- **No major contraindications** in acute management of anaphylaxis.



Usual Dosages

Adult: Infusion over 20-30 minutes

- **200 mg IV** (infusion in **100 mL NaCl**) or IM injection.

Paediatric:

- **< 6 months:** - **25 mg IV** (infusion in **100 mL NaCl**) or IM.
- **≥ 6 months - < 6 years:** - **50 mg IV** (infusion in **100 mL NaCl**) or IM.
- **≥ 6 years - < 12 years:** - **100 mg IV** (infusion in **100 mL NaCl**) or IM.
- **≥ 12 years:** - **200 mg IV** (infusion in **100 mL NaCl**) or IM.



Pharmacology /Action

Potent **anti-inflammatory** properties and inhibits many substances that cause inflammation.



Side effects

CCF/ Hypertension/ Abdominal distension/ Vertigo/ Headache/ Nausea/ Malaise and hiccups.



Additional information

- Intramuscular injection should **avoid the deltoid area** because of the possibility of **tissue atrophy**.
 - Dose should not be less than **25 mg**. **IV is the preferred route for adrenal crisis.**
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- If the patient, in an **adrenal crisis**, is still unwell following Hydrocortisone administration prior to arrival of the practitioner the **standard dose of Hydrocortisone** should be administered.