

SUBJECT: TREATMENT PROTOCOL - NERVE AGENT EXPOSURE -
AUTOINJECTOR USE

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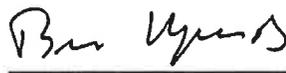
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<p>Upon identification of a scene involving suspected or known exposure of nerve agent: Isolate Area Notify dispatch of possible Mass Casualty Incident with possible Nerve Agent involvement. DO NOT ENTER AREA</p> <p>If exposed: Blot off agent Strip off all clothing, avoiding contact with outer surfaces. Flush area (s) with copious amounts of water Cover affected area (s)</p> <p>If you begin to experience any signs/symptoms of nerve agent exposure, for example: Increased secretions (tears, saliva, runny nose, sweating) Diminished vision SOB Nausea, vomiting diarrhea Muscle twitching/weakness NOTIFY THE INCIDENT COMMANDER (or dispatch if no IC) immediately of your exposure and declare yourself a patient</p> <p>Self Treat Immediately per the following Acuity Guidelines:</p> <p>Mild: <i>Miosis, rhinorrhea, increasing dyspnea fasciculations, sweating</i> Atropine autoinjector 2-PAM CI autoinjector</p>	<p>Triage, decontaminate and treat patient based on severity of symptoms <u>SO</u></p> <p>Mild: <i>Miosis, rhinorrhea, increasing dyspnea, fasciculations, sweating</i> Atropine autoinjector (or 2 mg) IM 2-PAM CI autoinjector (or 600 mg) IM</p> <p>Moderate: <i>Miosis, rhinorrhea, dyspnea/wheezing, increased secretions, fasciculations, muscle weakness, GI effects</i> Atropine Autoinjector (or 2 mg) IM, MR x1 in 5-10" 2-PAM CI autoinjector (or 600 mg) IM, MR x1 in 5-10" *Diazepam autoinjector or Midazolam 5 mg IM if Diazepam autoinjector not available</p> <p>Severe: <i>Unconscious, seizures, flaccid, apnea</i> Initial dosing: Atropine autoinjector (or 2 mg) IM x3 doses in succession 2-PAM CI autoinjector (or 600 mg) IM x3 doses in succession *Diazepam autoinjector, or Midazolam 10mg IM if Diazepam autoinjector not available, for seizure activity O₂/Intubate. Ongoing treatment: Atropine autoinjector (or 2 mg) IM, MR q3-5" until secretions diminish 2-PAM CI autoinjector (or 600 mg) IM, MR x1 in 3-5" For continuous seizure activity MR Midazolam 10 mg IM x1 in 10"</p> <table border="1"><tr><td>Pediatric doses:</td><td><u>Weight</u></td><td><u>Atropine</u></td><td><u>2-PAM CI</u></td><td><u>Midazolam</u></td></tr><tr><td></td><td><20kg</td><td>0.5mg</td><td>100mg</td><td>2.5mg</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>20-39kg</td><td>1mg</td><td>300mg</td><td>5.0mg</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>≥40kg</td><td>2mg</td><td>600mg</td><td>10mg</td></tr></table> <p>For doses less than the amount in the Autoinjector, use the medication vial and administer with a syringe.</p> <p>Consider: For frail, medically compromised, hypertensive or patients with renal failure administer half doses of Atropine and 2-PAM CI</p>	Pediatric doses:	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Atropine</u>	<u>2-PAM CI</u>	<u>Midazolam</u>		<20kg	0.5mg	100mg	2.5mg		20-39kg	1mg	300mg	5.0mg		≥40kg	2mg	600mg	10mg
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Note: *Diazepam autoinjectors available from Chempack caches only.
Diazepam, Atropine and 2-Pam CI autoinjectors are approved for self-treatment, treatment of public safety personnel, and the treatment of patients ONLY by prehospital personnel who have completed the County of San Diego approved training specific to the use of autoinjectors.

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