



Local Policy – Nursing Sandymount

PROTOCOL FOR ATTENDING SCHOOL THE DAY AFTER MIDAZOLAM IS ADMINISTERED

(Children Attending Enable Ireland School Sandymount)

This local policy was created by Colleen Pigott, Clinical Nurse Manager 1 on the 02nd of April 2024. To add to local policy in relation to Epilepsy Emergency Medication.

- It has been a rule for the children in Sandymount school that they cannot attend school for 24 hours after receiving Buccal Midazolam.
- After discussion with our Consultant in Paediatric Neurodisability and the Advanced Nurse Practitioner (ANP) in Epilepsy in CHI Temple Street it was decided that we would review this.
- As per our Consultant it is ok to give another dose of Midazolam for a seizure the next day unless specifically stated that the child can only have one dose in 24 hours.
- The general rule for treatment of seizures in an emergency is two doses of buccal Midazolam in 24 hours.
- However, if a child has a seizure that does not stop after five minutes and a dose of Buccal Midazolam is given, then a second dose should only be given in that instance if it is prescribed. If not prescribed a second dose an ambulance should be called if the seizure is not resolving after first dose of Buccal Midazolam.
- The reason for not giving a second dose (if not prescribed) is due to the risk of respiratory arrest.
- If a child has a long seizure requiring Midazolam, parents will be informed and it would be advised that the child is collected so they can go home and rest.
- If the child is not able to go home following a seizure and administration of buccal midazolam and they have a second seizure within a few hours that does not self-resolve, an ambulance will be called.
- If a child is needing a second dose of buccal midazolam for a seizure the following day, we would be requesting that the child is taken to hospital to be reviewed.

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