

## PATIENT GROUP DIRECTION (PGD)

**Administration of Midazolam 1mg/ml  
 By Nurse Endoscopists in Endoscopy at Royal Derby, Queens Burton  
 & Sir Robert Peel Hospitals**

### Documentation details

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1	New template used to cover multiple sites (replaces legacy QHB and RDH PGDs).	01/07/2021
2	Added Controlled Drug Schedule 3 to legal category	28/10/2024

### Glossary

Abbreviation	Definition
HEE	Health Education England
JAG	Joint advisory Group on GI Endoscopy

**1. PGD template development (PGD Working Group)**

**PGD Working Group Membership (minimum requirement of consultant, pharmacist and a registered professional who can work under a PGD (or manages the staff who do). If this is a review of existing PGD, replace previous names with the individuals involved for this version**

Name	Designation
Dr Nicholas Taylor	Endoscopy Lead/ Consultant Gastroenterologist
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Where an antimicrobial is included, confirm the name, designation and date of the antimicrobial pharmacist who has reviewed this version

Name of antimicrobial pharmacist	Designation	Date Reviewed
n/a	n/a	n/a

## 2. Organisational authorisations

The PGD is not legally valid until it has had the relevant organisational authorisation.

**University Hospitals of Derby & Burton NHS Foundation Trust** authorises this PGD for use by the services or providers listed below:

Authorised for use by the following organisation and/or services
Endoscopy Unit at the Royal Derby Hospital, Endoscopy Unit at the Queens Hospital Burton, Endoscopy Unit at Sir Robert Peel Community Hospital
Limitations to authorisation
This organisation only authorises the use of this PGD by Nurse Endoscopists signed off as being fully competent endoscopy practitioners.

Organisational Authorisation (legal requirement).			
Role	Name	Sign	Date
Medicines Safety Officer	James Hooley	<b>Signed copy held by Pharmacy</b>	<b>30/10/2024</b>

Additional signatories (required as per legislation and locally agreed policy)			
Role	Name	Sign	Date
Divisional Pharmacist	Hester Smail	Signed copy held by Pharmacy	30/10/2024
Consultant Gastroenterologist	Dr Stephen Hearing	Signed copy held by Pharmacy	30/10/2024
Matron	Samantha Gibbs	Signed copy held by Pharmacy	30/10/2024
Controlled Drug Accountable Officer	Alison Brailey	Signed copy held by Pharmacy	30/10/2024

Local enquiries regarding the use of this PGD may be directed to [UHDB.PGDgovernance@nhs.net](mailto:UHDB.PGDgovernance@nhs.net)

Section 7 provides a registered health professional authorisation sheet. Individual professionals must be authorised by name to work to this PGD.

### 3. Characteristics of staff

<b>Qualifications and professional registration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NMC registered Nurse</li> <li>• JAG or HEE accredited Nurse Endoscopist</li> </ul>
<b>Initial training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion of all Essential-to-role training as outlined in the UHDB PGD policy.</li> <li>• Individual has read and understood full content of this PGD and signed authorisation (section 7)</li> <li>• Completion of Medicines Management Drug Assessment</li> <li>• Completion of JAG Upper or Lower GI Endoscopy training</li> </ul>
<b>Competency assessment</b>	<p>Staff operating under this PGD are encouraged to review their competency using the <a href="#">NICE Competency Framework for health professionals using patient group directions</a></p> <p>Individuals operating under this PGD are personally responsible for ensuring they remain up to date with the use of all medicines included in the PGD - if any training needs are identified these should be discussed with the either authorising manager (section 7) or the manager within the PGD working group (section 1) so that further training can be provided as required.</p>
<b>Ongoing training and competency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing endoscopist training with annual CPD and appraisals.</li> <li>• ILS/ALS life support training competences.</li> <li>• Regular training to maintain and update all induction modules.</li> <li>• IV / Cannulation training.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The decision to supply any medication rests with the individual registered health professional who must abide by the PGD and any associated organisation policies.</b></p>	

#### 4. Clinical condition or situation to which this PGD applies

<b>Clinical condition or situation to which this PGD applies</b>	All patients age 16 years and over requesting sedation for their Endoscopic Examination not identified within the exclusion criteria below.
<b>Criteria for inclusion</b>	All patients age 16 years and over requesting sedation for their Endoscopic Examination not identified within the exclusion criteria below.
<b>Criteria for exclusion</b>	<p>Patients with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known benzodiazepine sensitivity</li> <li>• Severe respiratory insufficiency (acute or chronic)</li> <li>• Unstable cardiopulmonary function</li> <li>• Unstable myasthenia gravis</li> <li>• Severe renal and/or hepatic function</li> <li>• Evidence of CNS depression</li> <li>• Compromised airway</li> </ul> <p>Patients who are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under 16 years of age</li> <li>• Pregnant</li> <li>• Breast feeding</li> </ul>
<b>Cautions including any relevant action to be taken</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History of drug/alcohol misuse</li> <li>• If Flumazenil contraindicated or declined</li> <li>• Patients on any of the medication mentioned in the drug interaction section below.</li> </ul>
<b>Action to be taken if the patient is excluded</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Record reasons for exclusion in patient notes</li> <li>• Advise patient on alternative treatment</li> </ul>
<b>Action to be taken if the patient or carer declines treatment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Document details and advice given</li> <li>• Advise patient on alternative treatment</li> </ul>
<b>Arrangements for referral for medical advice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A member of the medical team will always be in the endoscopy department and if on some rare occasion they are not, the medical registrar/consultant on call will be available.</li> <li>• Document details and advice given.</li> </ul>

#### 5. Description of treatment

<b>Name, strength &amp; formulation of drug</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Midazolam, 1mg/ml (5ml ampoules, 2ml ampoules)</li> </ul>
<b>Legal category</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescription-only medicine (POM), Controlled Drug Schedule 3</li> </ul>
<b>Route / method of administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intravenous</li> </ul>
<b>Indicate any off-label use (if relevant)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>

<b>Dose and frequency of administration</b>	<p>In patients aged 16-70:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-2mg to be given as a bolus dose over 30 seconds and then titrated by 1mg at 2 minute intervals to achieve adequate conscious sedation, with a maximum total dose of 3mg.</li> </ul> <p>In patients aged 70 and over:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 500mcg – 1mg to be given as a bolus dose over 30 seconds and then the dose is titrated at 2 minute intervals by 500mcg-1mg to achieve conscious sedation with a maximum total dose of 2mg</li> </ul>
<b>Duration of treatment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Titrated as above to achieve conscious sedation during endoscopy procedure.</li> </ul>
<b>Quantity to be supplied (leave blank if PGD is administration ONLY)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>
<b>Storage</b>	<p>Stock must be securely stored according to UHDB Controlled Drug policy in a Controlled Drug cupboard and in conditions in line with SPC as detailed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store in the original package in order to protect from light.</li> <li>• Use immediately once drawn up</li> </ul>
<b>Drug interactions</b>	<p>The following drugs inhibit the enzyme CYP3A and therefore the effect and duration of a dose of Midazolam IV may be increased:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Azole antifungals: Fluconazole, Itraconazole, Ketoconazole, Voriconazole and Posaconazole.</li> <li>• Macrolide antibiotics: Erythromycin and Clarithromycin.</li> <li>• HIV antivirals (protease inhibitors).</li> <li>• Calcium Channel Blockers: Diltiazem and Verapamil.</li> <li>• Atorvastatin.</li> </ul> <p>The following drugs enhance the enzyme CYP3A and therefore the effect and duration of a dose of Midazolam IV may therefore be decreased:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rifampicin</li> <li>• St. Johns Wort</li> </ul> <p>The Co-administration of sedative drugs with Midazolam is likely to result in enhanced sedation and respiratory depression e.g:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alcohol</li> <li>• Opioid analgesics</li> <li>• Anxiolytics and hypnotics</li> <li>• Phenobarbital</li> <li>• Antihistamines</li> <li>• Antipsychotics</li> <li>• Sedative antidepressants</li> <li>• Muscle relaxants</li> </ul>

**Identification & management of adverse reactions**

The Hypersensitivity reactions including:

- Skin reactions
- Cardiovascular reactions
- Bronchospasm
- Anaphylactic shock
- Angioedema

Cardiovascular and respiratory reactions including:

- Bradycardia
- Chest pain
- Decrease in cardiac output
- Stroke volume and systemic vascular resistance
- Hypotension
- Cardiac arrest
- Respiratory depression
- Apnoea
- Respiratory arrest
- Dyspnoea
- Laryngospasm
- Hiccup

CNS reactions including:

- Confused mental state
- Euphoric state
- Hallucinations
- Delirium
- Sedation
- Dizziness
- Prolonged sedation
- Decreased alertness
- Somnolence
- Ataxia postoperative sedation
- Headache
- Anterograde amnesia
- Paradoxical reactions – agitation, involuntary movements, hyperactivity, hostility, rage, aggressiveness, paroxysmal excitement and assault have been reported, particularly among the elderly.

Other reactions:

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Constipation
- Dry Mouth
- Administration site reactions – pain, erythema, thrombophlebitis, thrombosis.

Severe CNS depression should be treated with:

- Flumazenil 200mcg IV administered over 15 seconds
- Then 100mcg at 60 second intervals if required until the desired response is achieved, or until the maximum dose of 1mg is given.



	<p>In the event of anaphylactic shock or cardiac or respiratory arrest emergency help should be summoned immediately.</p> <p>Serious or unusual adverse reactions that could be attributed to the drug should be reported to a doctor, and a yellow card and incident form should be completed and submitted as appropriate.</p>
<p><b>Management of and reporting procedure for adverse reactions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthcare professionals and patients/carers are encouraged to report suspected adverse reactions to the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) using the Yellow Card reporting scheme on: <a href="https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk">https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk</a></li> <li>• Record all adverse drug reactions (ADRs) in the patient's medical record.</li> <li>• Serious adverse reactions (moderate harm or above as per NRLS definition) should be reported via trust incident management system (e.g. Datix) to ensure duty of candour and learning from harm during clinical use.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Written information to be given to patient or carer</b></p>	<p>Individuals may be affected by Midazolam for up to 24 hours and will need care until the sedative effects have worn off.</p> <p>For 24 Hours patients should not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operate machinery</li> <li>• Drive any form of motor vehicle</li> <li>• Take sleeping tablets</li> <li>• Drink alcohol</li> <li>• Take recreational drugs</li> <li>• Return to work</li> <li>• Sign legally binding documents</li> </ul>
<p><b>Patient advice / follow up treatment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inform the individual/carer of possible side effects and their management.</li> <li>• The individual/carer should be advised to seek medical advice in the event of an adverse reaction.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Records</b></p>	<p>The following must be recorded in the patients endoscopy Medical record/notes and controlled drug register by the healthcare practitioner working under this PGD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name of individual, address, date of birth and GP with whom the individual is registered (if relevant)</li> <li>• Name of registered health professional</li> <li>• Name of medication administered</li> <li>• Date of supply/administration</li> <li>• Dose, form and route of administration</li> <li>• Quantity supplied/administered</li> <li>• Batch number and expiry date (if applicable e.g. injections and implants)</li> <li>• Details of any adverse drug reactions and actions taken</li> <li>• Confirm whether <u>administered</u> via Patient Group Direction (PGD)</li> </ul>

	Records should be signed and dated All records should be clear, legible and contemporaneous.
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## 6. Key references

<b>Key references</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Electronic Medicines Compendium: <a href="https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/2799/smpc">https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/2799/smpc</a></li><li>• Electronic BNF: <a href="https://bnf.nice.org.uk/drug/midazolam.html">https://bnf.nice.org.uk/drug/midazolam.html</a></li><li>• NICE Medicines practice guideline: "Patient Group Directions" <a href="https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mpg2">https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mpg2</a></li><li>• BSG: <a href="https://www.bsg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/AOMRC-guideline-on-safe-sedation-practice-for-healthcare-procedures.pdf">https://www.bsg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/AOMRC-guideline-on-safe-sedation-practice-for-healthcare-procedures.pdf</a></li></ul>
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## 7. Registered health professional authorisation sheet

**PGD Name [version]: Endoscopy - Midazolam [v2] PGD ref: UHDB 124**

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Before signing check that the document you have read is published on Koha or is an in-date hard-copy with all necessary authorisations signed in section 2. The Name/Version/Ref of the document you have read **MUST** match this authorisation form.

### Registered health professional

By signing this patient group direction you are indicating that

- a) You agree to and understand all content and commit to only work within this framework.
- b) You have completed any core PGD e-Learning or training records on My Learning Passport or within your department.
- c) You meet the staff characteristics and have completed any additional learning/competency outlined in Section 3 of this PGD.

Patient group directions do not remove inherent professional obligations or accountability.

It is the responsibility of each professional to practise only within the bounds of their own competence and professional code of conduct.

I confirm that I have read and understood the content of this Patient Group Direction and that I am willing and competent to work to it within my professional code of conduct.			
Name	Designation	Signature	Date

### Authorising manager / Assessor

I confirm that the registered health professionals named above have declared themselves suitably trained and competent to work under this PGD. I give authorisation on behalf of University Hospitals of Derby & Burton NHS Foundation Trust for the above named health care professionals who have signed the PGD to work under it.			
Name	Designation	Signature	Date

### Note to authorising manager

Score through unused rows in the list of registered health professionals to prevent additions post managerial authorisation.

This authorisation sheet must be retained by a manager in the clinical department where the PGD is in-use to serve as a record of those registered health professionals authorised to work under this PGD.