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Borden TO: SPEMS EMS Services

Carson SUBJECT: EMT-PARAMEDIC PAIN MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL VARIANCE

Castro

Childress Please let this letter serve as your authority for paramedics to use their discretion in the choice of drug
Cochran administration for pain management. The medic will work within the protocol guidelines with the drugs
stated below.

Cottle 1. **Fentanyl** 5mcg/kg, IV/IN, to a max of 100mcg per single dose for all ages > than 2 yoa. May be repeated
Crosby once if needed in 3-5 minutes at the same dose. Contact medical control for additional doses of **Fentanyl**.
Do not administer **Fentanyl** to patients < 2 yoa.

OR

Dawson 2. **Morphine** 2-6mg, IV, every 10 minutes as needed as long as systolic BP is >90mmHg. Consider ½ dose if
Dickens patient is < 60 yoa. Pediatric dose (<16yoa) 0.1mg/kg, IV, to a max of 3mg per dose. May be repeated as
Donley needed every 10 minutes as long as systolic BP >90mmHg.

OR

Floyd 3. **Demerol** 0.5 mg/kg, IV, to a max of 25mg per single dose, ½ dose in patients > 60 yoa. May repeat dose
Gaines once in 10 minutes, if needed, as long as systolic BP >90 mmHg. Pediatric dose (<16yoa) 0.25mg/kg, IV, to a
Garza max of 25mg. May repeat dose once in 10 minutes, if needed, as long as systolic BP > 90mmHg. Do not
administer **Demerol** to patients < 2 yoa.

OR

Hemphill 4. **Ketorolac (Toradol)** 30mg, IV, do no repeat. Only give to adults < 50 yoa. Do not give to diabetics or
Hockley patients with renal disease. Pediatric dose (<16yoa) 0.5mg/kg, IV, up to a max of 15mg, do not repeat. Do
not administer **Toradol** to children < 2 yoa.

OR

Kent 5. **Nalbuphine Hydrochloride (Nubain)** 5-10mg, IV, may repeat once at the original dose in 10 minutes, if
King needed, as long as systolic BP >90mmHg. Do not administer **Nubain** to pediatric patients < 16 yoa.

Lamb **NOTE:** For patients that have been intubated that MAY have pain/agitation and **Fentanyl** is not available, the
Lubbock Medic has the discretion to administer any one of the above appropriate pain management drugs as long as
the patient systolic BP >90 mmHg.

Lynn Contact Medical Control for additional pain management, questions or concerns as needed.

Motley The included supplemental pages should be read for indications, contraindications, side effects, and
Parmer special restrictions.

Scurry You will need to place a copy of this letter in each protocol book in each ambulance.

Swisher Sincerely,

Terry

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