Moderate Sedation and Analgesia
For the Non-anesthesiologist

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Educational Objectives

 Define moderate sedation and analgesia.
 Describe patient assessment and selection.
 Review the pharmacology and administration of commonly used sedatives.
 Describe airway management and potential respiratory complications.
 Implement appropriate strategies to safely manage moderate sedation by the non-anesthesiologist/anesthetist practitioner.

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Definition of Conscious Sedation

What is Conscious Sedation?

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<th>Minimal Sedation (Anxiety)</th>
<th>Moderate Sedation/Analgesia (“Conscious Sedation”)</th>
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<th>General Anesthesia</th>
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<td>Responsiveness</td>
<td>Normal response to verbal stimulation</td>
<td>Purposeful response to verbal or tactile stimulation</td>
<td>Purposeful response following repeated or painful stimulation</td>
<td>Unresponsive even with painful stimulus</td>
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<td>Airway</td>
<td>Unaffected</td>
<td>No intervention required</td>
<td>Intervention may be required</td>
<td>Intervention often required</td>
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<td>Spontaneous Ventilation</td>
<td>Unaffected</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
<td>May be inadequate</td>
<td>Frequently inadequate</td>
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<td>Cardiovascular Function</td>
<td>Unaffected</td>
<td>Usually maintained</td>
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Who Needs to Know About Moderate Sedation? and Who Should Administer It?

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Who Administers Moderate Sedation?

- GI Suites
- Pulmonary Suites
- Emergency Room
- Radiology, IVR
- ICU
- Cardiac Cath Lab

How Do You Assess a Patient?

Pre-procedure Assessment & Patient Selection

- Medical history
  - Organ system assessment
  - Pregnancy?
- Anesthesia and surgery history
- Medications and allergies
- NPO Status
  - Clear liquids >2 hrs
  - Milk/ Solids >6 hrs
- Airway assessment
Airway Assessment
Mallampatti Airway Scale

What Is Malampatti Airway Assessment Scale?

• Method to communicate the expected ease or difficulty of intubation based on the ease of visualization of pharyngeal structures:
  - Malampati 1 – easily view epiglottis
  - Malampati 4 – obstructed view

Significance of Malampatti Airway Assessment Scale?

• Pt.’s with suspected “difficult airway” (Malampati 4) often have other airway issues which may contribute to difficult airway management:
  - Sleep Apnea
  - Morbid Obesity

• More important, these are patients you don’t want to oversedate and run risk of losing an airway that may be difficult to manage.
• You may want help (anesthesiologist) to provide sedation and monitor the pt.
Airway Assessment
Mallampatti Airway Scale

Unable to See Past the Tongue

Airway Assessment
Mallampatti Scale 4
Unable to See Past the Tongue

Airway Assessment
Precautions
Use caution with following conditions:
- COPD
- Sleep Apnea
- Extremes of age
- Alcohol intoxication
- Morbid Obesity
- Difficult airways
- Debilitated patients
Obstructive Sleep Apnea

DEFINITION
Periodic partial or complete obstruction of upper airway structures during sleep

SIGNIFICANCE
- Airway obstruction during sleep
- O2 Desaturation, hypercapnia
- CV dysfunction
- Relieved by waking up
- May not awaken from obstruction if heavily sedated

MANAGEMENT
- Monitor carefully (with capnography if feasible)
- Anesthesiology assistance
- Give less sedation, not more!
- It may be safer to provide GA with a secured airway rather than moderate or deep sedation in procedures involving the upper airway (i.e. bronchoscopy, upper endoscopy, ERCP)
- CPAP

Obstructive Sleep Apnea (Continued)

- Many OSA patients use CPAP/BiPAP at home;
- 'CPAP or NIPPV... should be administered ... unless contraindicated by the ... procedure. Compliance may be improved if patients bring their own equipment...'(based on ASA Practice Guidelines for OSA)
- Consider use of CPAP during procedure as well as after procedure until patient back to baseline;
- Patients should be monitored longer than their non-OSA counterparts (guidelines suggest 3 hrs. longer)

Summary of the Most Commonly Used Sedatives
Pharmacology

WHAT DRUGS CAN YOU USE?
 ✓ Just about any sedative or narcotic you want
 ✓ Shorter acting drugs usually preferable
 ✓ Know the side effects/potential complications of the drugs you use

ARE THERE ANY DRUGS YOU CAN'T USE?
 ✓ Inhalation anesthetics
 ✓ Induction agents i.e. propofol, barbiturates (pentothal), ketamine

HOW MUCH?
 ✓ “Enough”
 ✓ Titrate to effect

Pharmacology

Benzodiazepines
- Midazolam (0.5-1.0 mg)
- Diazepam (1-2 mg)

Narcotics or opioid analgesics
- Morphine (1-2 mg)
- Fentanyl (1.2 mcg/kg)
- Meperidine (12.5-25 mg)

Pharmacology

Benzodiazepines
Pharmacological effects: sedation to GA
Desired effects:
- Anxiolysis
- Sedation
- Hypnosis
- Anticonvulsant
- Skeletal muscle relaxation

Routes of administration
- Oral, IM, IV
Pharmacology

**Opioids**

*Pharmacological effects: Analgesia, sedation to GA*

**Desired effects:**
- Analgesia
- Sedation
- Euphoria

**Routes of administration:**
- Oral, IM, IV

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**Pharmacology**

**Propofol**

- Anesthetic agent
- Nonopioid, nonbarbiturate sedative hypnotic
- Rapid onset < 1 min
- Rapid recovery 5-15 min
- Very Potent - Deep Sedation – GA
- No reversal agent
- Potent Respiratory depressant
- Hemodynamics -
  - Hypotension (30% decrease in BP)
  - No change in HR or CO
- Controversy with use outside Anesthesiology

To be used **ONLY** by anesthesiologist or CRNAs!

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**Pharmacology**

*Statement on the use of Propofol*

Approved by ASA House of Delegates on October 27, 2004

"...non-anesthesia personnel who administer propofol should be qualified to rescue* patients whose level of sedation becomes deeper than ... intended and who enter ... a state of general anesthesia."

*Rescue:
  - proficient in airway management
  - proficient in advanced life support
  - understand pharmacology of the drugs used"
Who Should Provide Sedation*
*From the ASA Monograph on Practice Guidelines for Sedation and Analgesia by Non-Anesthesiologists (last amended 2001)

- “A designated individual, other than the practitioner performing the procedure, should be present …throughout procedures performed with sedation/analgesia.” (Including moderate sedation.) This person may assist the practitioner “with minor, interruptible tasks…”

- “During deep sedation, this individual should have no other responsibilities.” (But to monitor the patient.)

After You Administer the Sedation, What Else Should Be Done?

Patient Monitoring

- Continuous Observation and vigilance
- Blood pressure monitoring
- Saturation (Pulse oximetry)
- EKG: recommended, not required
- Pain assessment
- Consider capnography
Respiratory Complications

- Airway Obstruction
- Respiratory insufficiency
- Aspiration
- Laryngospasm

Airway Assessment
Upper Airway Obstruction Intervention

- Auditory and Tactile Stimulation
- Head tilt
- Chin Lift
- Jaw Thrust
- Nasal/oral airway

Respiratory Complications
Respiratory Insufficiency

- Respiratory depression leading to inadequate ventilation
- Most common complications pre-Pulse Oxymetry
- Unrecognized until respiratory arrest, dysrhythmias or cardiac arrest
- ETCO2
Respiratory Complications
Laryngospasm

- Protective airway reflex
- Muscular spasm of all laryngeal muscles
- Mechanical or chemical stimuli
- Mediated by vagus nerve
- Results in upper airway obstruction
- Severe cases-NPPE
- Treatment – Mask ventilation/Muscle relaxants (succinylcholine)

Respiratory Complications
Respiratory Insufficiency

- Drugs-potent respiratory depressants
- Decrease respiratory drive to hypoxia and hypercarbia
- Reduced muscle tone-weaker ventilatory effort
- Hypoventilation>Apnea>Death

Respiratory Complications
Aspiration

Patients at risk of Aspiration:
- Obesity
- Hiatal Hernia
- GERD
- Ileus or bowel obstruction
- Emergency care
- Pregnancy
- DM
Post-procedure Monitoring

- Purpose is to assure return of physiologic function
- Treatment area vs. recovery area
- Vital signs, pain, activity, and consciousness are documented

Discharge Criteria

- Required by JCAHO
- Aldrete scoring system
  - Activity, Respiration, Circulation, Consciousness, Oxygenation
- Modified Post-anesthesia Discharge Scoring System: MPADS
  - VS, pain, N&V, surgical bleeding, ambulation

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Total Discharge Score

May be discharged with a score of 8-10 or back to baseline (pre-sedation)
Discharge Criteria

Satisfy the “ATES”

✓ ARTICULATE
✓ AMBULATE
✓ URINATE
✓ “GUSTATE”

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