Kittitas County Prehospital Care Protocols

Subject: GRAND MAL SEIZURE/STATUS EPILEPTICUS

General

- A. If stable, administer O₂ @ 4-6 lpm per nasal cannula.
- B. If unstable, administer O₂ @ 12-15 lpm per non-rebreather mask.
- C. Physical assessment and history.
- D. Patient may have option of not being transported if;
 - seizure terminates spontaneously
 - patient has history of previous seizures with ongoing medical management of those seizures
 - adult is present
 - the clinical situation dictates
- E. If witnessed continuous seizure activity with respiratory compromise, or repetitive seizures without return of consciousness:
 - 1. Establish peripheral IV access with <u>0.9% NaCl at TKO</u>.
 - 2. Administer one of the following:
 - a. **Lorazepam**, 1-4 mg, slow IV push, **or IM**. May repeat in 10-15 minutes.
 - b. **Diazepam**, <u>5-10 mg</u>, slow IV push.
 - 3. Establish cardiac monitor.

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