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Oral Glucose

1.0 Classification

Carbohydrate

2.0 Mechanism of Action

• Increases blood glucose

3.0 Indications

• Patients with signs of hypoglycemia and a blood glucose level less than 4.0 mmol/L.

4.0 Contraindications

None

5.0 Precautions

• If there are concerns the patient is unable to manage their airway or is unable to swallow, glucose should not be administered.

6.0 Route

PO

7.0 Dosage

Adult

• Full tube of Glucose Rapid

Pediatric

- Child/adolescent: 1 tube Glucose Rapid
- Pre-school age: ½ tube Glucose Rapid
- Infants/toddlers: 1/4 tube of Glucose Rapid

8.0 Supplied

31 g per tube

9.0 May Be Given By

EMR/PCP/ICP/ACP/CCP

10.0 Adverse Effects

• Hyperglycemia

11.0 Special Notes

- Hypoglycemia for non-diabetic children is different.
 - Neonate < 2.5 mmol/L
 - Infant/Pediatric < 3.3 mmol/L
- Pregnancy category C [if the patient will benefit from a Category C drug, it is generally used]

12.0 References

• Altered Level of Consciousness Clinical Practice Guideline

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