CLASS: A

PROTOCOL(S) USED IN: Patient Restraint Physical & Chemical

PHARMACOLOGY AND ACTIONS:

- A. Haloperidol has similar pharmacologic properties to those in phenothiazines.
- B. It is thought to block dopamine (type 2) receptors in the brain, altering mood and behavior.

INDICATIONS:

- A. Acute psychotic episodes
- B. Emergency sedation of severely agitated or delirious patients.
- Nausea and Vomiting not relieved by Ondansetron or if Cyclic Vomiting Syndrome is suspected

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

- A. CNS depression
- B. Coma
- C. Known hypersensitivity
- D. Pregnancy
- E. Severe liver or cardiac disease.

SIDE EFFECTS AND NOTES:

- A. Dose-related extrapyramidal reactions
- B. Hypotension
- C. Orthostatic hypotension
- D. Nausea, vomiting
- E. Allergic reactions
- F. Blurred vision

ADULT DOSING:

Chemical restraint and emergency sedation: 5 mg IM/IV every 4-8 hours as needed

Nausea/Vomiting: 2.5 mg IV/IM

PEDIATRIC DOSING:

0.5mg IM