

Acetaminophen – 20.010

CLASS: A

PROTOCOL(S) USED IN:

Pain Management; Seizure

PHARMACOLOGY AND ACTIONS:

Analgesic and antipyretic

INDICATIONS:

- A. Mild to moderate pain (Example: 1-4 on numeric scale)
- B. Reduction of fever ($\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}/100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$) associated with febrile seizures in the pediatric patient.

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

- A. Known liver disease
- B. Has taken acetaminophen in last 4 hours

SIDE EFFECTS AND NOTES:

- Febrile Seizures - May be administered via rectal suppository (same dose) if patient is vomiting, gag reflex is absent or in question, or the patient is not alert.
- Can be given up to every 4 hours. Do not exceed five doses a day.

DOSING:

- A. Pain Management: 325 mg to 1000 mg PO/IV to max of 1000 mg.

PEDIATRIC DOSING:

- A. Pain Management: 15 mg/kg PO to max of 1000 mg.
- B. Febrile Seizures: 15 mg/kg PO/PR