HEALTHEAST MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION MEDICAL OPERATIONS MANUAL

DEXTROSE 10% (D10)

Drug Classification: Anti-Hypoglycemic

BACKGROUND

Pharmacodynamics

Dextrose increases blood glucose concentration.

Indications

- Hypoglycemia
- Diagnostic agent for altered mental status with an unknown blood sugar

Contraindications

• Intracranial hemorrhage

Cautions

Infiltration can cause tissue necrosis.¹

DOSAGE and ADMINISTRATION

| ADULT | PEDIATRICS (less than 60 kg) |
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| Administer 125 mL (12.5 g) slowly via IV infusion. If patient's mental status does not adequately improve, reassess blood glucose and administer a second dose of 125 mL (12.5 g). | Administer 0.5 g/kg slowly via IV infusion. See Handtevy Pediatric Guidelines for administration amounts in milliliters. If patient's mental status does not adequately improve, reassess blood glucose and consider additional doses, if necessary. |

ADVERSE REACTIONS/SIDE EFFECTS

Hyperglycemia

NOTES

REFERENCE GUIDELINE:

3G Hypoglycemia

6C Neonatal Resuscitation

¹If infiltration occurs, notify physician at receiving hospital immediately upon arrival.