

**MIDAZOLAM (my-DAYZ-oh-lam)
(Versed)**

PHARMACOLOGIC CLASSIFICATION:

-benzodiazepine

THERAPEUTIC CLASSIFICATION:

-sedative; amnesic agent

MAIN INDICATIONS:

-immediate premedication for RSI (rapid sequence intubation)
-pre-cardioversion/external pacing sedation
-conscious sedation/relieve apprehension

MECHANISM OF ACTION:

-rapid onset (2-2.5 min IV), short-acting CNS depressant

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

-glaucoma
-overdose situations (alcohol, other CNS depressants)
-depressed vital signs/shock/coma

MAJOR SIDE EFFECTS:

-respiratory depression and arrest
-fluctuations in BP and HR
-nausea
-coughing
-headache/drowsiness/confusion

INTERACTIONS:

-may potentiate the effects of alcohol, barbiturates, narcotics, antihistamines, tranquilizers, antidepressants

DOSAGE:

-2.5-10 mg slow IV push (over 2-3 minutes)

SPECIAL INFORMATION:

- administer immediately before intubation if necessary
- monitor respiratory and cardiac function continuously
- never administer unless you are ready to resuscitate
- flumazenil can reverse adverse side effects

