

# STATE OF IDAHO –BOARD OF DENTISTRY



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## POLICY FOR GENERAL ANESTHESIA AND DEEP SEDATION PERMIT EVALUATIONS

### DEFINITION<sup>1</sup>

*General anesthesia* shall mean a drug-induced loss of consciousness during which patients are not arousable, even by painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilator function is often impaired. Patients often require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and positive pressure ventilation may be required because of depressed spontaneous ventilation or drug-induced depression of neuromuscular function. Cardiovascular function may be impaired.

*Deep sedation* shall mean a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients cannot be easily aroused but respond purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilator function may be impaired. Patients may require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation may be inadequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.

### SCOPE

The following guidelines have been based upon the *AAOMS Office Anesthesia Evaluation Manual 2006 Edition*, and the *American Heart Association Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Provider Manual 2006 edition*. This is a guideline and is not meant to be a complete review of the manual.

### PERSONNEL AND STAFFING

During the period of sedation (before, during, and after the procedure) the patient will be attended by at least one person (in addition to the person performing the procedure) whose responsibilities will include monitoring the patient. This person (monitoring the patient) may be a dentist/physician, RN, or other qualified person (minimally B.C.L.S. certified), and will operate under the supervision of a dentist/physician who is immediately available. The supervising dentist/physician must be certified in Advanced Cardiac Life Support. The office staff should have regular, documented training in emergency procedures.

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<sup>1</sup>The Idaho State Board of Dentistry's rules regarding sedation are found at IDAPA 19.01.01 – Rules of the Idaho State Board of Dentistry.

## DRUGS AND MEDICATIONS

Route of administration and medications chosen should be well understood. Available reversal agents **must** be present in the office. Please note that dental assistants and dental hygienists are NOT permitted or authorized by the Administrative Rules of the Board of Dentistry to administer sedation medication(s).

## MONITORING AND DOCUMENTATION

Each patient should be monitored with non-invasive blood pressure, ECG, and pulse oximetry. Oxygen saturation, blood pressure, heart rate, and respiration should be recorded as a baseline, and then monitored every five minutes during the anesthetic, and then continued every fifteen (15) minutes until the patient meets the requirements for discharge. Respiratory and level of consciousness will be monitored continuously by observation, and significant changes noted. All medications, as well as vital signs must be recorded and remain with the patient's chart as a part of their permanent record. It is required to have documentation of an ASA classification and a completed medical history prior to sedation.

### ASA Physical Status Classification System

ASA Physical Status 1 – A normal healthy patient

ASA Physical Status 2 – A patient with mild systemic disease

ASA Physical Status 3 – A patient with severe systemic disease

ASA Physical Status 4 – A patient with severe systemic disease that is a constant threat to life

ASA Physical Status 5 – A moribund patient who is not expected to survive without the operation

## RECOVERY

The patient will be monitored closely following the last dose of medication given until the patient meets the discharge criteria. This observation may take place at the site of the procedure or in a designated recovery area. While in the recovery area, the patient will be observed, with the doctor immediately available. All vital signs are to be monitored every 15 minutes. Patients are discharged when they meet discharge criteria.<sup>2</sup>

Stable vital signs

No airway difficulties

No respiratory distress

Return to usual state of alertness

Return to usual ambulatory status (except as limited by surgery)

Stable wound site

Ability to retain fluids

Responsible adult caretaker to accompany patient (patient and responsible party to be provided information on contact person if problems arise).

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<sup>2</sup>Source: Longnecker/Tinker/Morgan, *Principles and Practice of Anesthesiology*, page 2260, (Mosby 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. 1998).

Office Evaluation Checklist for General Anesthesia/Deep Sedation Permit

**Part I. Office Equipment, Monitoring and Emergency Equipment, Records**

Required Equipment and Records

- Oxygen and Supplemental gas-delivery system
- etCO<sub>2</sub> Monitor
- Suction and backup suction device
- Gas Storage facility
- Auxiliary lighting system
- Pulse Oximeter
- Automatic Non Invasive Blood Pressure Monitor
- Manual Sphygmomanometer and Stethoscope
- Recovery Area (monitoring equipment in area if recovery area is used)
- Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)
- Equipment Necessary to Obtain IV access and Delivery of IV fluids
- Appropriate Medications to Provide Level of Sedation for Which Permit Allows
- Full Face Mask, Positive pressure delivery device, Ambu Bag
- Tonsillar Suction
- Oral and Nasal Airways
- Equipment for Performing Cricothyrotomy or Emergency Airway Puncture
- Advanced airways (LMA, Combi Tube, etc.)
- Laryngoscope
- Magill Forceps
- Precordial Stethoscope
- Nasal Cannula
- Board or other device to stiffen the back of patient chair if CPR necessary

Office Records

- Staff and Doctor BLS certification
- Doctor ACLS certification
- Health History form
- Consent for Anesthesia and Surgery
- Anesthesia Record (ASA Status)
- Anesthesia Case Log
- Anesthesia Drug Log

**Part II: Required Emergency Medications (required at a minimum)**

Check all Expiration Dates

\*\*It is the permit holders' responsibility to confirm ALL drug concentrations from individual suppliers\*\*

\*\*Pediatric dosing should be calculated mg/kg determined by the specific medication\*\*

Doses and Delivery Guidelines may be described in Part III-medical emergencies

[ REVERSAL AGENTS]

\_\_\_\_\_ Naloxone (*Narcan*) 0.4mg/ml  
Reversal of opioids  
0.1mg-0.2mg (IV/IM/SC/ET)

\_\_\_\_\_ Flumazenil (*Romazicon*) 0.1 mg/ml  
Reversal of benzodiazepines  
Adults: recommended initial dose of is 0.2 mg over 15 sec, may repeat q 1min  
(1g max dose)  
Peds: recommended initial dose is 0.01 mg/kg (up to 0.2 mg)  
May be associated with the onset of seizures

[CARDIAC, AIRWAY AND ALLERGIC REACTION MEDICATIONS]

\_\_\_\_\_ Epinephrine 1mg/ml  
\_\_\_\_\_ ASA (Chewable uncoated Aspirin) 160-325mg  
\_\_\_\_\_ Nitroglycerin (*Nitrolingual, Nitroquick, Nitrostat*)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Ephedrine Sulfate (*Ephedrine*) 50mg/ml  
\_\_\_\_\_ Intravenous Fluids (NS, Lactated Ringers, Dextrose in water)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Diphenhydramine (*Benedryl*) 50mg/ml  
\_\_\_\_\_ Albuterol (*Ventolin*) Bronchodilator Mist Metered Dose Inhaler

[OTHER REQUIRED MEDICATIONS]

\_\_\_\_\_ Instant Glucose or other Sugar Source to treat Hypoglycemia  
\_\_\_\_\_ Anti Seizure Medication (*Versed, Valium*)

[Suggested Medications to Treat Medical Emergencies and Non-Emergent Situations]  
(not required but can be valuable if needed)

- Succinylcholine (*Anectine*) 20mg/ml  
Ultra short-acting depolarizing skeletal muscle relaxant  
Used in laryngospasm  
10-40mg IV (0.15-0.3mg/kg) or 4mg/kg IM
- Methylprednisolone (*Solu-Medrol*) 125mg  
corticosteroid hormone (glucocorticoid)  
potent anti-inflammatory steroid—useful in allergic reactions.  
adult: 10-250mg IV  
pediatric: 0.5-1 mg/kg IV q6h

### *Suggested medications – continued*

- Morphine- Opioid agonist—useful if suspect Myocardial Infarction  
Multiple available routes of administration)  
1-3mg doses IV administration during MI q5 min
- Ammonia Inhalants (useful in syncope)

### Antihypertensives

- Labetalol (*Trandate*) 5mg/ml  
mixed alpha/beta adrenergic antagonist (alpha & beta-blocker)  
IV infusion of 2mg/min (additional dosing 5-20mg IV)  
*Relative contraindications for use in patients with asthma, congestive heart failure, any degree of heart block, bradycardia, or those in cardiogenic shock.*
- Esmolol (*Brevibloc*) 10mg/ml  
Cardioselective beta<sub>1</sub> receptor blocker  
Rapid onset and a very short duration of action  
*Commonly used in patients during surgery to prevent or treat tachycardia, and is also used in treatment of acute supraventricular tachycardia.*

### Bradycardia and Hypotension

- Atropine (*Atropine*) 0.4 mg/ml  
(*Atropine - Ansyr® prefilled syringe*) 0.1mg/ml  
Muscarinic receptor antagonist  
Adults: 0.5 – 1.0mg  
Peds: 0.01 to 0.03 mg/kg body weight

### Antiarrhythmics

- Amiodarone (50 mg/ml) 300mg IV once then 150mg IV
- Lidocaine (1-1.5mg/kg first dose)

### Antiemetics

- Promethazine (*Phenergan*) IV/PO/PR/IM  
Antihistamine  
Adult: 12.5mg-25mg  
Peds: (>2yrs) 0.1mg/kg (12.5mg max)
- Ondansetron (*Zofran*) 2mg/ml IV & 4mg PO  
Selective blocking agent of the serotonin 5-HT<sub>3</sub> receptor  
Adult: 4mg  
Peds: (1mo-12yrs) 0.1mg/kg

*Suggested medications – continued*

Drugs for Endotracheal Intubation “Lane”

Lidocaine  
Atropine  
Naloxone  
Epinenephrine

**PART III: Simulated Emergencies and Suggested Algorithms**

The simulated emergency procedures are to be demonstrated in the surgery/anesthesia area with full participation of the office staff. Proper use of any necessary emergency equipment should be demonstrated. Evaluator will check for satisfactory completion of each situation. Two way discussion of each situation with evaluators is expected.

**Laryngospasm**  Pass  Fail

- Pack off surgical site
- Position patient/ upright/ most comfortable
- Suction patient – tonsillar suction
- Ventilate patient with positive pressure ventilation  
(full face mask/ambu bag with 100% oxygen)
- Auscultation of lung fields
- Succinylcholine (*Anectine*) 20mg/ml  
Ultra short-acting depolarizing skeletal muscle relaxant  
10-40mg IV (0.15-0.3mg/kg) or 4mg/kg IM
- *Cricothyrotomy (if necessary)*
- Call 911

**Bronchospasm and Airway Obstruction**  Pass  Fail

- Establish airway and administer 100% oxygen with full face mask with positive pressure ventilation
- Albuterol (*Ventolin*) Metered Dose Inhaler  
Used in Asthma  
Beta-agonist bronchodilator
- Epinephrine  
Severe bronchospasm (1:1,000) 0.3-0.5mg SQ  
TB syringe 0.3-0.5ml of 1:1,000 SL/SQ  
1:10,000 dilution if used IV
- Benadryl ~50mg intravenously
- Auscultation of lung fields
- Call 911 if not resolved

*Simulated emergencies – continued*

**Emesis and Aspiration**  Pass  Fail

- Change suction to Tonsillar suction
- Turn patient to right side --Trendelenburg position, check for foreign body
- 100% oxygen
- Auscultation of lungs
- Consider Anti Emetic Medications
- If situation gets worse, (i.e. cyanotic, dyspnea) call 911

**Bradycardia**  Pass  Fail

- Monitor patient; recheck BP and pulse
- Stop procedure, pack wound site
- Consider etiology
- Consider Atropine (serious sign or symptoms?)

**Asystole/PEA (Pulse arrest- NOT Shockable)**  Pass  Fail

- Epinephrine 1 mg IV repeat 3-5 min or
- Vasopressin 40 U IV to replace 1<sup>ST</sup> or 2<sup>ND</sup> dose epi
- Consider atropine 1 mg IV
- Find and treat factors  
H's and T's (hypovolemia, hypoxia, hydrogen ion, hypo-/hyperkalemia, hypoglycemia, hypothermia, toxins, tamponade, tension stx, thrombosis, trauma)

**Angina Pectoris**  Pass  Fail

- Nitroglycerin (*Nitrolingual, Nitroquick, Nitrostat*)  
Check Date, use patients own NTG if possible  
Sublingual doses (0.3mg = 1/200 grain, 0.4mg = 1/150 grain  
0.6mg = 1/100 grain)  
SL/spray/oral  
Determine level of SBP (must be > 90mmHg)  
Avoid in patients taking Sildenafil (*Viagra*)
- Place patient in comfortable position
- 100% oxygen, Nitrous Oxide
- Monitor patient
- If pain continues, administer one more tab/spray in 5 minutes in 5 minutes
- If pain still continues, assess MI, 911 and transportation
- Third NTG dose 5 minutes later while waiting for ambulance

*Simulated emergencies – continued*

**Myocardial Infarction**  Pass  Fail

- Stop Surgery and Position Patient
- 100% Oxygen
- Call 911
- Establish IV
- Monitor Vitals, Consider Applying AED
- Chewable uncoated Aspirin 325mg orall
- Analgesia—Nitrous Oxide, NTG,  
Morphine 1-3mg doses IV administration during MI q5 min

**Cardiac Arrest**  Pass  Fail

- Look, Listen, Feel
- Call 911
- Ventilate with AMBU bag and 100% Oxygen
- Apply AED—Defibrillate if indicated
- Check Pulse—Begin Chest Compressions if no pulse
- Establish IV
- ACLS PROTOCOL
  - Epinephrine 1mg IV q3-5min  
10ml dilution of 1:10,000
  - Antiarrhythmics
    - Amiodarone (50 mg/ml) 300mg IV once then 150mg IV
    - Lidocaine (1-1.5mg/kg first dose)

**Hypotension**  Pass  Fail

- Terminate Surgery
- Position Patient—Trendelenberg—Supine
- Check Pulse and BP
- Stimulate Patient
- Increase IV Fluids (IV access if not already established)  
Isotonic intravenous fluids (0.9% Normal Saline, Lactated Ringers)
- Ephedrine sulfate (*Ephedrine*) 50mg/ml  
Alpha-1, Beta-1, Beta-2 receptor agonist  
Must be diluted! (50mg/ml vial diluted with 9ml saline= 5mg/ml)  
2.5-5mg IV SLOW q5-10min  
(pediatric – 0.5mg/kg IM or SQ)

If Bradycardic (HR<60) and Hypotensive

- Atropine (*Atropine*) 0.4 mg/ml (*Atropine - Ansyr® prefilled syringe*) 0.1mg/ml  
Muscarinic receptor antagonist  
Used to treat Bradycardia  
Adults: 0.5 – 1.0mg  
Peds: 0.01 to 0.03 mg/kg body weight

*Simulated emergencies – continued*

**Hypertension**  Pass  Fail

Consider all possible etiologies. Treat the cause if known.

Most hypertensive episodes are transient.

Careful consideration for therapeutic intervention.

- Labetalol (*Trandate*) 5mg/ml  
mixed alpha/beta adrenergic antagonist (alpha & beta-blocker)  
IV infusion of 2mg/min (additional dosing 5-20mg IV)  
*Relative contraindications for use in patients with asthma, congestive heart failure, any degree of heart block, bradycardia, or those in cardiogenic shock.*
- Esmolol (*Brevibloc*) 10mg/ml (500mcg/kg slow delivery over 1 minute)  
Cardioselective beta<sub>1</sub> receptor blocker  
Rapid onset and a very short duration of action  
*Commonly used in patients during surgery to prevent or treat tachycardia, and is also used in treatment of acute supraventricular tachycardia.*
- Call 911 if necessary

**Acute Allergic Reaction**  Pass  Fail

- Mild Reaction (rash, hives)--- Benedryl 25-50mg IV or IM
- Severe Reaction (wheezing, angioedema, laryngoedema, bronchospasm)
  - Epinephrine—0.3mg-0.5mg SL, SC, IM, IV
  - Bronchodilator mist
  - Benedryl—50mg IV or IM
  - Repeat Epinephrine if needed in 3-5 min
  - Call 911, Continue BLS
  - May give Corticosteroid (*Solu-Medrol, Decadron*)
  - Increase IV Fluids
  - Cricothyrotomy

**Syncope, Loss of Consciousness**  Pass  Fail

- Position Patient—Trendelenberg—raise legs
- Oxygen, monitor vitals
- Ammonia Inhalants
- Start IV Fluids
- BLS if unresponsive
- Apply AED, call 911 if necessary
- Consider Hypoglycemia (glucagon, instagluose)

**Hyperventilation**  Pass  Fail

- Calm the patient, Position patient Upright
- Breath into paper bag, cupped hands, or full mask with 0.5L of Oxygen flow
- May need to sedate with Valium or Versed

*Simulated emergencies – continued*

**Convulsions**    Pass             Fail

- Protect patient and gently restrain
- After seizure BLS—post ictal depression—maintain airway
- May need Valium or Versed –titrate in IV

**Malignant Hyperthermia**    Pass     Fail

- Avoid succinylcholine
- Avoid volatile inhalation anesthetics
- Nitrous oxide safe
- Need alternative muscle relaxation (non-depolarizing)
- Access to Dantrolene (Dantrium) – ER transfer

**Part IV: Observation of a Sedation Case**

One parenteral case should be observed. The sedation should be no longer than one hour. Evaluators will remain present to ensure proper use of patient monitors, preparation and delivery of medications, titration to appropriate level of sedation, and patient management.

Pass             Fail

**DEFICIENCIES NOTED/CORRECTIVE ACTION NEEDED**

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**Recommended Follow-up:**

- Follow-up Evaluation
- Written Follow-up
- No follow-up required

If a follow-up evaluation is required, within thirty (30) days of the date of initial evaluation it is the responsibility of the dentist being evaluated to undertake the identified corrective action and make appropriate arrangements with an evaluator to conduct the follow-up evaluation. An anesthesia permit will not be issued until all requirements of the evaluation are satisfied.

