

Appendix 3 - Chlordiazepoxide Fixed Reducing Dose Chart: (High Risk)

Addressograph Label

If admitted overnight use prn dosing and start fixed regime on day 1 otherwise will miss doses

Name:	DoB:	Ward:	CHI:	Consultant:
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Day	Date	Drug	Prescribed Dose	Route	Administration Times Given by (initials)				Prescriber's Signature and Name
					0800 hours	1200 hours	1800 hours	2200 hours	
1		Chlordiazepoxide	50mg	Oral	-----	-----	-----	-----	
2		Chlordiazepoxide	40mg	Oral	-----	-----	-----	-----	
3		Chlordiazepoxide	30mg	Oral	-----	-----	-----	-----	
4		Chlordiazepoxide	20mg	Oral	-----	-----	-----	-----	
5		Chlordiazepoxide	10mg	Oral	-----	-----	-----	-----	
6		Chlordiazepoxide	10mg	Oral	-----			-----	

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And

On drug chart: "Chlordiazepoxide according to Reducing Dose Chart"

"Chlordiazepoxide 20-50mg as required, as per GMAWS score (250mg maximum, including regular + PRN dose in 24 hours)"; review use daily

CONSIDER

Is this the right chart?

Are nursing staff monitoring with GMAWS?

Has IV vitamin B&C or IM thiamine been started?

Is this regimen being reviewed?

- This chart is for patients in alcohol withdrawal assessed as being at high risk of complications
- Breakthrough symptoms should be assessed using the GMAWS and treated
- All patients in alcohol withdrawal are at risk of Wernicke's Encephalopathy
- Must be reviewed daily and considered if needs adjusted