

DRUG CARD

Diazepam

Valium

Generic Name

Trade Name

Pharmacologic Class: • Benzodiazepine

Therapeutic Class: • Antianxiety agents
• Anticonvulsants
• Sedative/hypnotics
• Skeletal muscle relaxants (centrally acting)

Action: Decreases the effects of voltage gated sodium channels to depresses the CNS

Indication: • Anxiety
• Pre-op sedation
• Conscious sedation
• Treatment of seizures
• Insomnia
• Management of alcohol withdrawal

Reason Given (Disease States):

Nursing Process

Pre-Administration Assessment:	Post Administration Evaluation:	Nursing Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contraindicated in hepatic dysfunction• Use caution with renal impairment• Can cause dizziness, drowsiness, lethargy, hypotension, physical dependence, tolerance• Instruct patient to take as directed• Caution to avoid alcohol use• Flumazenil (Romazicon) is the reversal agent
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Other:

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