

DRUG CARD

Pentobarbital

Nembutal

Generic Name

Trade Name

Pharmacologic Class: • Short-acting barbiturate

Therapeutic Class: • Sedative
• Hypnotic
• Anticonvulsant

Action: • Depress sensory cortex, motor activity
• Alters cerebellar function
• Produces drowsiness, sedation, hypnosis

Indication: • Short term management of insomnia
• Anesthesia
• Emergency treatment of seizures

Reason Given (Disease States): _____

Nursing Process

Pre-Administration Assessment:	Post Administration Evaluation:	Nursing Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High doses can cause death• Contraindicated<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Hypersensitivity○ Porphyria• Monitor<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Hemodynamics<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Respiratory status- Mechanical ventilation• Avoid use in geriatric patients• Use caution<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Depression○ Hepatic impairment○ Renal impairment
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Other: _____

