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- From the mentioned agents, Ketamine is the only one providing both analgesia and sedation with amnesia at moderate doses.
- Midazolam provides sedation, amnesia and anxiolytic effect without analgesia.
- Chloral hydrate is only a sedative agent. Safe in younger than 3 years. Unpredictable onset and duration.
- Fentanyl is a potent opioid analgesic. Not anxiolytic, but may be combined with midazolam. May produce chest wall stiffness.

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- Potent analgesia, sedation and amnesia maintaining cardiovascular stability and preserving spontaneous respirations and protective airway reflexes.
- Initially patient experiences a trance, eyes opened but unresponsive, normal or slight enhanced muscle tone, total amnesia and substantial or total analgesia, mild increase of heart rate and blood pressure; nystagmus common.

Ketamine

- Once threshold reached; additional doses do not enhance or deepen sedation.
- IV: 1.5 – 2.0 mg/kg over 30 – 60 seconds to avoid

respiratory depression

Clinical onset 1 minute

Typical duration 5 – 10 minutes

Typical time from dose to discharge 50 – 110
minutes

May repeat 0.5 - 1.0 mg/kg if initial sedation
inadequate or longer procedure

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- IM: 4 – 5 mg/kg.

Clinical onset 5 minutes

Typical duration 20 – 30 minutes

Typical time from dose to discharge 60 –
140 minutes

May repeat full or half dose if inadequate
sedation after 5 – 10 min

Ketamine

Adverse effects: Emesis 8%

Recovery agitation mild 6%

Transient apnea or resp depression 0.8%

Transient laryngospasm 0.3%

- Absolute Contraindications:
 - Younger than 3 month of age.
 - Schizophrenia.

Ketamine

- Relative Contraindications:
 - Major oral procedures (Endoscopy)
 - Airway instability, tracheal surgery or tracheal stenosis
 - Active pulmonary disease, including Asthma or URI
 - Suspected cardiovascular disease (Increased sympathomimetic properties)
 - CNS abnormalities or hydrocephalus (Increased ICP)
 - Glaucoma or acute ocular injury
 - Porphyria, thyroid disease or medication

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