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## Giving Midazolam buccal liquid (Epistatus 10mg/1ml)

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Midazolam is a medicine used to treat seizures and agitation/distress. If your child has a seizure and/or agitation/distress lasting five minutes or more, you should administer the buccal medicine.

## How to give the buccal medicine

- Hold the plastic bottle upright
- Push the plunger of the empty 1ml oral syringe completely down towards the tip
- Insert the tip of the oral syringe into the hole in the plastic bottle adapter
- Hold the bottle and oral syringe securely and turn the bottle up-side down
- Pull the plunger out slowly until the oral syringe contains the amount prescribed
- Squirt about half the liquid in the oral syringe between one side of your child's gums and cheek (buccal cavity), gently rub the area, then repeat on the other side with the remaining liquid (see picture below). Repeat the dose after 10 minutes if the seizure or agitation distress persists and seek further health care advice.



Prescribed dose: Weight of child:kg
Agitation, distress  Dose:mg  Amount of liquid:mls
Seizure /(Fit) Age of Child: Dose:mg Amount of liquid:mls

Doctor or non-medical prescriber: Date: Date:

## Contact details

Children and Young Person's Oncology Outreach and symptom care Nurse Specialist (CYPOONS) team at The Royal Marsden: 020 8661 3625 (Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm)

Evenings, nights, weekends and all bank holidays, please call The Royal Marsden switchboard on 020 8642 6011 and ask for the PATCH service.



