



Pharmacy Grand Rounds

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Keep Calm and Phenobarb On: Phenobarbital Monotherapy in Critically Ill Alcohol Withdrawal Patients

Session Date: 05/31/2022

Session Time: 11:00 – 11:45 AM (CST)

Target Audience

This continuing education (CE) session was planned to meet the needs of professional staff who deal with the selection and monitoring of medication(s) as part of their patient care duties, including pharmacists, RNs, APRNs, PAs, MDs.

Activity Overview

Benzodiazepines are the primary pharmacologic agent for treating alcohol withdrawal syndrome (AWS). However, with significant alcohol abuse, patients may develop cross-tolerance to benzodiazepines which can lead to an increased risk of delirium and paradoxical agitation due to increased total dose. Recent studies show that phenobarbital may be a better alternative for treating AWS than benzodiazepines due to its unique pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics properties. This presentation will discuss the current recommendations for managing AWS in the critical care setting and the challenges that exist with the current state of practice.

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this knowledge-based CE session, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss challenges and treatment goals of managing alcohol withdrawal syndrome (AWS) in an ICU setting
2. Review literature examining the use of phenobarbital for AWS in critical care
3. Identify the role of phenobarbital in managing critically ill alcohol withdrawal patients

Faculty Information

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 - Phenobarbital

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