

# ADMINISTRATION OF NERVE GAS AUTO-INJECTOR BLS PROCEDURE

## Indications

- Exposure to nerve/chemical agents (Sarin, Suman, Tabun, Vx) exhibiting signs and symptoms that may include the following:
  - S.L.U.D.G.E.M.- Salivation, Lacrimation, Urination, Defecation, Gastrointestinal pain and gas, Emesis, Miosis

## Contraindication

- Not to be administered as a prophylactic to nerve agents

**Equipment**

- DuoDote® or Mark I kit

**Mild symptoms of exposure**

- Blurred vision, miosis
- Excessive, unexplained teary eyes
- Excessive, unexplained runny nose
- Increased salivation, drooling
- Chest tightness/difficulty breathing
- Tremors/muscular twitching
- Nausea, vomiting
- Unexplained wheezing/cough
- Acute onset of stomach cramps
- Tachycardia or bradycardia

**Severe symptoms of exposure**

- Strange or confused behavior
- Severe difficulty breathing or copious airway secretions
- Severe muscular twitching and general weakness
- Involuntary urination and defecation
- Convulsions
- Unconsciousness

• Administer one injection into the mid-lateral thigh if patient experiences two or more MILD symptoms of exposure. Wait 10-15 minutes for medication to take effect

• Immediately administer three injections into the mid-lateral thigh in rapid succession

**If after 10-15 min. no severe symptoms develop**

- No additional injections are recommended

**If after 10-15 min. any severe symptoms develop**

- Give 2 additional injections in rapid succession

Transport