

Procedural Sedation

Accreditation



Responsibility and accountability for the determination of the “approved” status of non-specialist medical staff to perform procedural sedation rests with the Director of the Emergency Department (ED) or their nominated delegate.

The sedation accreditation is suggested for all clinicians engaged in sedation in EDs.

Tier 1

Requirements:

- Background reading and knowledge of sedation policy
- Ability to perform basic airway manoeuvres (airway suction/chin lift/jaw/thrust/bag valve ventilation)
- Senior ED personnel MUST be in department when undertaken and be actively aware of procedure

Privileges: Benzodiazepine/narcotic combinations/nitrous oxide

Tier 2

Requirements:

- As in Tier 1
- Has undertaken advanced airway training (either in ED/ICU or anaesthetics)
- Has been clinically evaluated performing procedural sedation by ED SS/Anaesthetist

Privileges: May perform procedural sedation using medications such as Propofol and Ketamine but only with ED SS on site and aware of procedure

Tier 3

Requirements:

- As in Tier II
- Has performed 5 procedural sedation procedures under direct ED SS supervisor including Propofol and Ketamine
- Has undergone and passed a simulated manikin run through of errors and complications associated with procedural sedation.
- Written approval to perform at Level III by DEMENT/ED Director

Privileges: Able to administer Propofol and Ketamine for procedural sedation without ED SS on site