

Behavioral Emergencies	
ADULT	PEDIATRIC
ALS Prior to Base Hospital Contact	
<p>IV/IO Access</p> <p>For Extreme Agitation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midazolam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IM – 5mg or 10 mg (5mg/ml) ○ IV/IO – 2 mg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repeat 1 mg q 2 min as needed • Max 5 mg <p>FOR IV USE: Dilute 5 mg (1 mL) Midazolam with 4 mL NS for a final volume of 5 mL concentration of 1 mg/mL</p> <p>When safe to perform, determine blood glucose level</p>	<p>For Extreme Agitation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midazolam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IM – 0.1 mg/kg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max 5 mg <p>When safe to perform, determine blood glucose level</p>
Base Hospital Orders only	
Consult with ED Physician for further treatment measures	
<p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If patient refuses care and transport, and that refusal is because of “mental disorder”, consider having patient taken into custody according to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5150 or 5585 “Mental disorders” do not generally include alcohol or drug intoxication, brain injury, hypoxemia, hypoglycemia, or similar causes. • Refer to VC EMS pre-hospital provider fact sheet for suspected excited delirium patients. Be sure to consider and rule out other possible causes or behavior (traumatic or medical). • Use of restraints (physical or chemical) shall be documented and monitored in accordance with VCEMS policy 732 • Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5585: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Known as the Children’s Civil Commitment and Mental Health Treatment Act of 1988, a minor patient may be taken into custody if, as a result of a mental disorder, there is a danger to self and others or is gravely disabled. A California peace officer, a California licensed psychiatrist in an approved facility, Ventura County Health Officer or other County-designated individuals, can take the individual into custody, but it must be enforced by the police in the field. • Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5150: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A patient may be taken into custody if, as a result of a mental disorder, there is a danger to self and others or is gravely disabled. A California peace officer, a California licensed psychiatrist in an approved facility, Ventura County Health Officer or other County-designated individuals, can take the individual into custody, but it must be enforced by the police in the field. • All patients shall be transported to the most accessible Emergency Department for medical clearance prior to admission to a psychiatric facility <p>Ventura County Mental Health Crisis Team: (866) 998-2243</p>	