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| MEDICATION: | DEXAMETHASONE (Decadron) |
| INTERVENTION: | <p><u>Classification:</u> Corticosteroid</p> <p><u>Actions:</u> Anti-inflammatory; functions as an agonist of the Glucocorticoid Receptor (GR)</p> <p><u>Contraindications:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypersensitivity • Systemic Fungal Infection <p><u>Precautions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cautious use in patients with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adrenal insufficiency ○ Cardiovascular Disease ○ Diabetes ○ Gastrointestinal disease ○ Head injury ○ Liver disease ○ Myasthenia Gravis ○ Ocular disease ○ Osteoporosis ○ Renal disease ○ Seizure disorder ○ Thyroid disorder • PREGNANCY RISK FACTOR: C <p><u>Dosage:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. <u>Neonatal Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Neonate: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. (IV/IO): 0.5 mg/kg with Medical Control Consultation <p><u>Onset of Action:</u> 30 minutes</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> 3 hours</p> <p><u>Adverse Effects:</u> Cardiac dysfunction/arrhythmia, adrenal suppression, immunosuppression, allergic reaction, GI distress, pulmonary edema</p> <p><u>Special Considerations:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. N/A |

If this is a patient care policy, the information contained herein is used to provide guidance in the care of patients, but should not, and does not replace or preclude the use of clinical judgment.

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