Contrast Allergy Premedication 4 Hr

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• Power Plan Name - RAD Contrast Allergy Pre Med 4 Hr Accelerated

FIRST SECTION - COMMENT

• *Verbiage* - The accelerated 4 hrs pre medication protocol is indicated for urgent exams that cannot be reasonably delayed for the standard 12 hrs protocol.

SECOND SECTION - CONTRAST SELECTION

- *Verbiage* Order Omni-300 for routine CTs.
- *Order* Omnipaque-300 (100 mL, inj, IV slow push, once)
- *Verbiage* Order Omni-350 for CTAs.
- *Order* Omnipaque-350 (100 mL, inj, IV slow push, once)
- *Verbiage* Consider using Visipaque-320 in CT patients with prior severe allergy to Omnipaque.
- *Order* Visipaque-320 (100 mL, inj, IV slow push, once)
- Verbiage Order Clariscan for MRIs.
- *Order* Clariscan (20 mL, inj, IV slow push, once)

All of these orders will be unchecked by default.

THIRD SECTION - PRE MEDICATIONS

- *Verbiage* Both steroid and antihistamine are required (unless there is a contraindication).
- *Verbiage* Select both steroid orders and only one antihistamine order.
- *Verbiage* Recommend decreasing diphenhydramine dose to 25 mg in patients over 65 years of age.
- \(\int \) Order Dexamethasone (8 mL, inj, IV slow push, once, on call, 4 hours prior to contrast).
- \(\int \) Order Dexamethasone (8 mL, inj, IV slow push, once, on call, immediately prior to contrast).
- \(\textit{Order} \text{Diphenhydramine}\) (50 mL, inj, IV slow push, once, on call, 1 hour prior to contrast).
- Order Diphenhydramine (25 mL, inj, IV slow push, once, on call, 1 hour prior to contrast).
- Order Zyrtec (10 mg tab, oral, once, on call, 1 hour prior to contrast).

✓ indicates order is checked by default.