

## Epilepsy Action Plan

The following has been developed to provide staff with a guideline on steps they should take when a client is having an epileptic seizure. Please ensure these guidelines are followed to ensure the health and safety of the client. If you have any concerns regarding a client's health during this process please contact your supervisor, Registered nurse or **do not hesitate to call 000 in an emergency or potential emergency.**

Please refer to following table for guidelines on actions to take considering different case scenarios the clients may experience when having a seizure.

### **Does Client have a Seizure Management Plan?**

<u>SYMPTOMS/SCENARIOS</u>	<u>ACTION PLAN</u>
<b>At onset of seizure</b>	note time seizure started observing skin colour and breathing effort stay with the person Position person safely at first sign of seizure in recovery if possible
<b>During seizure</b>	Instructs another adult to bring the person's Epilepsy Management Plan and medication Verifies doctors order for medication, dose and route of administration with another staff person
<b>If medication (Buccal) is ordered</b>	Puts on gloves or washes hands if possible Twists top off ampoule and withdraws correct amount with syringe Gently rubs exterior of the cheek to massage it in Once medication is given continues to observe the person. If able and appropriate based on seizure activity, keeps the person on their side facing you
<b>Call an ambulance 000 if any of the following occur</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ for any seizure if you don't know the person or if there is no Epilepsy Management Plan</li> <li>✓ If the seizure continues for more than five minutes</li> <li>✓ If the seizure stops but the person does not regain consciousness within five minutes, or another seizure begins</li> </ul>

	<p>✓ When a serious injury has occurred, if a seizure occurs in water, or if you believe a woman who is having a seizure is pregnant.</p>
<b>Recording</b>	<p>If emergency services have been called (000);  Call Subee Newlake Registered Nurse to inform of incident. Ring after hours coordinator if outside of office hours.  Document in progress notes time the seizure started and stopped.  Fill out incident report form.</p>

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