

*Jackson County Medical Control Authority*  
**MICU Protocols**  
**MORPHINE SULFATE**

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***Morphine Sulfate***

- Indications:** Severe pain, chest pain, analgesic in patients receiving paralytics.
- Contra-indications:** Hypersensitivity history, suspected head or abdominal injury, non-vented patients with respiratory depression, hypotension.
- Adverse Effects:** Respiratory depression, hypotension or bradycardia. **Have naloxone available to reverse effects if necessary.**
- Administration:** **Initial dose:** 2-5 mg IVP. Continue in 2 mg increments PRN until pain is relieved or until signs of respiratory depression occur.
- DRIP:** 250 mg/250 ml or 500 mg/250 ml concentration, titrate to effect.

**MICU Directives:**

1. Follow generalized protocol for MICU transports.
2. Reassess vital signs within 5 minutes of administration.
3. Have naloxone (Narcan) available to reverse effects if necessary.