

Protocol Name	Antacid – Calcium Carbonate
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**Purpose:**

For relief of acid indigestion or heartburn.

**Assessment:**

- Obtain patient’s history, including allergies, medication list and recent activity
- Vital Signs – heart rate, respirations, blood pressure, temperature, pain level and O2 sat level
- Assess onset, duration and aggravating/relieving factors of any symptoms (epigastric pain, changes in stool color, nausea and vomiting, appetite and noticeable weight changes)
- Assess patient’s usual daily diet, including alcohol use, coffee, and tea ingestion
- Assess for signs of dehydration or GI bleeding [dark stool, dry skin/mucosa]
- Auscultate bowel sounds
- When history and symptoms indicate that GI symptoms are uncomplicated and patient denies signs/symptoms of GI bleeding – may administer Antacid – Calcium Carbonate [see orders]

**Contraindications:**

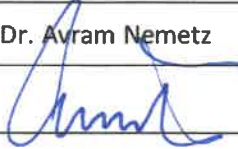
- Patients receiving digitalis glycosides
- Severe respiratory insufficiency
- Renal disease
- Cardiac disease

**Standing Orders/Intervention:**

Once assessment completed and **Assessment Protocol** indicates administration of Antacid – Calcium Carbonate

- Administer Antacid 420mg x 1

**Antacid-Calcium Carbonate protocol** is part of Affiliated Physician’s **ON-SITE CLINIC PROGRAM**. Upon clinical assessment and necessity, these orders are to be activated by an Affiliated Physician’s on-site nurse and documentation of each episode is mandatory.

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