

Initial phase - deep sedation - Target RASS < -4

Propofol 100mg/hr
Morphine 5ml/hr

Stable Improving Oxygenation

RASS -2 - -3

Unstable

add/substitute
Midazolam 5ml/hr

Review sedation daily

Anticipate Delirium

Quetiapine
Dexmedetomidine

SEDATION

Richmond Agitation and Sedation Scale (RASS)		
+4	Combative	violent, immediate danger to staff
+3	Very Agitated	Pulls or removes tube(s) or catheter(s); aggressive
+2	Agitated	Frequent non-purposeful movement, fights ventilator
+1	Restless	Anxious, apprehensive but movements not aggressive or vigorous
0	Alert & calm	
-1	Drowsy	Not fully alert, but has sustained awakening to voice (eye opening & contact ≥ 10 sec)
-2	Light sedation	Briefly awakens to voice (eye opening & contact < 10 sec)
-3	Moderate sedation	Movement or eye-opening to voice (but no eye contact)
-4	Deep sedation	No response to voice, but movement or eye opening to physical stimulation
-5	Unarousable	No response to voice or physical stimulation