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The NH Patient Care Protocols do not have pediatric dosing under the Restraint Procedure 6.3. In the event that a pediatric patient needs to be chemically restrained, medical control must be consulted to obtain preferred medication and dosing. The order of preference can follow that of the adult patient at appropriate dosages, with midazolam being the preferred first attempt at restraint. Haldol is contraindicated in children under the age of 12. For children between the ages of 12 – 18, Haldol may be considered as a last resort in extenuating circumstances in consultation with medical control due to its significant side effect and extremely limited data for use in the pediatric population.

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