

The use of dose ranges with the Palliative Care Kardex in Primary Care

A dose range may be prescribed - a lower dose and a higher dose e.g. *2mg to 5mg midazolam, hourly, maximum of 6 doses in 24 hours*

- The smaller dose should always be administered first, in this example this is *2mg*.
- If the first dose given was ineffective/partially effective, then the dose may be repeated after the prescribed time frame, in this example 1 hour.
- If a second dose has been required (and been effective), then an increased dose may be administered at the next episode

