

Continuum of Anesthesia

	MINIMUM SEDATION (ANXIOLYSIS)	MODERATE SEDATION (CONSCIOUS SEDATION)	DEEP SEDATION (ANALGESIA)	GENERAL ANESTHESIA
<u>RESPONSIVENESS:</u>	Normal response to verbal stimulation	Purposeful response to verbal or tactile stimulation	Purposeful response to repeated or painful stimuli	Unarousable even with painful stimuli
<u>AIRWAY:</u>	Unaffected	No intervention required	Intervention may be required	Intervention required
<u>SPONTANEOUS VENTILATION:</u>	Unaffected	Adequate	May be inadequate	Frequently inadequate
<u>CARDIOVASCULAR FUNCTION:</u>	Unaffected	Usually Maintained	Usually Maintained	May be Impaired
<u>ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION</u>	Inhalation &/ or oral	Inhalation &/ or oral +IM or IV	Inhalation + IV	Inhalation + IV