## Symptom Management Route of Delivery Guideline

## When to use the Macy Catheter


${ }^{1}$ Only liquid medication specifically designed for SL dosing should be given SL. Do not crush tablets and place under tongue. Dose volumes greater than 1.5 ml increase the risk of aspiration and should be avoided.
${ }^{2}$ Most medications used for EOL symptoms are absorbed well in rectal micro-enema form. See your agency guidelines or ask your Hospice pharmacist if unsure.
${ }^{3}$ Most agencies set a maximum time for titration of medication via any specific route. If the titration does not bring symptoms to acceptable level, within the set time frame move to the next route of delivery on the algorithm.

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