



## Convulsant Antidote for Nerve Agents

### CANA

#### Description

The Food and Drug Administration approved CANA (NSN 6505-01-274-0951) is an autoinjector containing 10 mg diazepam for intramuscular administration to control nerve agent-induced seizures. Administration of atropine and 2-pralidoxime-chloride (2-PAM) alone often does not prevent the occurrence of severe and long-lasting convulsions after nerve agent exposure. The CANA is intended to terminate the convulsions. The CANA is intended for buddy-aid administration, not self-administration.



#### Mission

Provide treatment for nerve agent-induced seizures and the subsequent neurological permanent damage.

#### Capabilities

- Chemical Therapeutics
- Protects against nerve agent-induced seizures and subsequent neurological sequelae.

#### Users

US Navy, US Marine Corps, US Army, US Air Force

#### Status

Sustainment

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