

Perinatal Medication Side Effects Teaching Sheet

Patient Name: _____

Why am I taking it? This medication is for:	What is my medication? Medication Name: Generic (Brand)	What are possible COMMON side effects?
PAIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morphine • Hydromorphone (Dilaudid) • Fentanyl • Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Norco) • Butorphanol (Stadol) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowsiness • Dizziness • Nausea/ upset stomach • Constipation • Other:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acetaminophen (Tylenol) • Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil) • Ketorolac (Toradol) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nausea/ upset stomach • Headache (ketorolac)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other: 	
NAUSEA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ondansetron (Zofran) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Fatigue
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prochlorperazine (Compazine) • Promethazine (Phenergan) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowsiness/ dizziness
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metoclopramide (Reglan) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowsiness/ fatigue • Restlessness • Involuntary muscle contractions (dystonia)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other: 		
CONSTIPATION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Docusate sodium (Colace) • Senna (Senokot) • Polyethylene Glycol (MiraLAX) • Bisacodyl (Dulcolax) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloating/ gas • Stomach cramps/ diarrhea • Nausea
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other: 	
INFECTION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cefazolin (Ancef) • Penicillin (Pfizerpen) • Ampicillin • Gentamicin • Clindamycin (Cleocin) • Ampicillin and Sulbactam (Unasyn) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nausea/ vomiting • Constipation/ diarrhea • Headache/ dizziness • Skin rash/ itching
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other: 	
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE/ HYPERTENSION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labetalol (Trandate) • Hydralazine (Apresoline) • Nifedipine (Procardia) • Methyldopa (Aldomet) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Dizziness • Extreme tiredness/ weakness • Upset stomach/ nausea/ diarrhea
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other: 	

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ANTICONVULSANT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magnesium (Magnesium Sulfate) • Other: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Nausea/ vomiting • Sweating/ flushing
BLEEDING 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxytocin (Pitocin) • Misoprostol (Cytotec) • Methylergonovine (Methergine) • Carboprost (Hemabate) • Other: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Upset stomach/ nausea/ diarrhea • High blood pressure (Methylergonovine)
LABOR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxytocin (Pitocin) • Dinoprostone (Cervidil) • Misoprostol (Cytotec) • Other: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Upset stomach/ nausea/ diarrhea
ANXIETY/ DEPRESSION 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alprazolam (Xanax) • Lorazepam (Ativan) • Sertraline (Zoloft) • Fluoxetine (Prozac) • Other: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowsiness/ dizziness/ fatigue/ irritability • Headache/ memory problems/ trouble concentrating • Sleep problems • Muscle weakness/ lack of balance/ slurred speech • Nausea/ vomiting/ appetite changes • Dizziness/ drowsiness/ trouble falling asleep • Nausea/ upset stomach • Diarrhea/ constipation • Changes in appetite or weight • Feeling anxious or nervous • Headache/ vision changes • Decreased sex drive
SEDATION/ INSOMNIA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zolpidem (Ambien) • Other: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowsiness/ dizziness/ weakness • Loss of coordination • Nausea/ upset stomach • Constipation/ diarrhea • Headache