









Post-op medications

General principles: Pain medications

- Shake all suspensions
- Store at room temperature
- More fluids may help with potential constipation
- You can talk more about this medication with your pharmacist

Medication	Use	Most common side effects
Acetaminophen (Tylenol®)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for mild pain or fever • Shake well and take with food • May take with ibuprofen 	 WELL TOLERATED
Ibuprofen (Advil® or Motrin®)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for mild pain or fever • Double check "concentration" • Take WITH food to protect stomach • Shake well, may take with Tylenol® 	 NAUSEATED
Tramadol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for moderate pain • Take with food • Does NOT contain Tylenol® • May give with ibuprofen, Tylenol® or both 	  NAUSEATED CONSTIPATED
Oxycodone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for severe pain • Take with food • Does NOT contain Tylenol® 	   SLEEPY NAUSEATED CONSTIPATED
Eye and/or ear drops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usually an antibiotic combined with a corticosteroid used for the treatment or prevention of infections and inflammation • See patient education sheet or ask the nurse and/or pharmacist on how to best give it 	 WELL TOLERATED

Times Scheduled (e.g., 8 a.m.)	Medicines to give and amount (e.g., Medicine A, amount)	Date						

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