

PROBLEM	PRIMARY	SECONDARY	TERTIARY
Agitation or agitation with dementia	Haldol, low dose <i>Instead of: Navane, Thorazine, Mellaril, Prolixin, Stelazine</i>	Seraquil <i>Instead of: Clozaril, Risperadol, Zyprexa</i>	
Anxiety	Ativan <i>Instead of: Xanax, Serax, Klonopin, Tranxene, Librium, Dalmane, Vistaril</i>	Valium	Haldol
Bladder spasms	Hycosamine (Levsin) <i>Instead of: Urispas or Detrol</i>		
Constipation: Non opiate-based	Prune juice or metamucil	Senokot-S	Milk of Magnesia, Fleet enema
Constipation: Opiate-based	Senokot-S	Milk of Magnesia, Fleet enema	Soapsuds enema, Magnesium Citrate
Convulsions ***Consult a physician before switching a patient's anti-seizure medications***	Tegretol, Klonopin, Phenobarbital, Phenytoin (Dilantin), Valproic Acid (Depakene), Primidone (Mysoline) <i>Instead of: Zanotin, Neurontin, Lamictal, Keppra, Trileptal, Gavatri, Topamax, Zonegran</i>		
Depression	Prozac (Floxedine) <i>Instead of: Luvox, Paxil, Zoloft</i>	Effexor	Ritalin
Diarrhea	Immodium	Lomotil	
GERD/gastritis/ulcers	OTC antacids--Tums, Maalox	Zantac <i>Instead of: Tagamet, Axid or Pepcid</i>	Prilosec <i>Instead of: Nexium, Protonix or Prevacid</i>
Infection: Bacterial	Amoxicillin, PCN, Bactrim, Erythromycin, Keflex, Cleocin, Macrochantin, Zithromax	Cipro, Augmentin, Ceftin, Biaxin, Avelox, Omnicef	Levaquin, Cedax, Cefzilm Tequin, Suprax, Vantin

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Infection: Viral	Acyclovir <i>Instead of: Famivir or Valtrex</i>		
Muscle Tension	Baclofen or Flexeril <i>Instead of: Soma, Norgesic, Robaxin, Skelaxin, Zanaflex</i>		
Nausea/vomiting	Tigan <i>Instead of: Compazine, phenergan, Zofran, Kytril, Anzamet, Marinol</i>	Haldol <i>Instead of: Reglan</i>	PDM-PLO wrist gel
Pain: Visceral or soft tissue, short acting management needed	MS concentrated solution 20mg/cc <i>Instead of: Darvocet, Vicoden, Percocet, Dilaudid, Oxycodone, Lortabs, Vicoprofen, Codeine, Talwin, Numporphan, Tylenol #3</i>	Methadone tabs or liquid	
Pain: Visceral or soft tissue, long acting management needed	MS sustained release (Oramorph) <i>Instead of Oxycontin, Kadian, Duragesic patch</i>	Duragesic patch--if unable to swallow or tolerate pills <i>only</i>	MS Infusion <i>Instead of Dilaudid infusion</i>
Pain: Bone -- NSAID Therapy	Ibuprofen <i>Instead of: ASA, Naprosyn, Daypro, Salsalate, Toradol</i>	Indocin <i>Instead of: Indocin SR</i>	Vioxx <i>Use only if pt has GI bleeding or upset on other medications. Instead of : Bextra or Celebrex</i>
Pain: Bone -- Steroid Therapy	Prednisone <i>Instead of : Prelone or Solumedrol</i>	Decadron <i>Use for intracranial lesions</i>	
Pain: Gout	Colchicine and allopurinol <i>Instead of: Probenecid</i>		
Sleepiness, fatigue, undesirable sedation	Methylphenidate (Ritalin) <i>Instead of: Adderal, Concerta, Cylert, Dexedrine, Focalin, Metadate, Provigil, Strattera</i>		

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Sleeplessness	Benadryl	Restoril or ativan if readily available Instead of: Prosom, Sonata, Ambien, Halcion, Dalmane	
Shortness of breath: Beta Agonists	Albuterol (proventil/ventolin) <i>Instead of: Xopnex, Alupent, Maxair (pirbuterol), Serevent (salmeterol), Tervutaline, Primatine Mist, Isuprel</i>	Albuterol with Atrovent <i>Instead of: Combivent</i>	
Shortness of breath: Xanthines	Theophylline <i>Instead of: Aminophylline, Choledyl SA</i>		
Shortness of breath: Leukotriene Antagonists	Accolate <i>Instead of: Singulair or Zyflo</i>		
Shortness of breath: Inhaled steroids	Flovent <i>Instead of: Vanceril, Pulmicort Turbohaler, Aerobid, Beclovent, Azmacort</i>		
Shortness of breath: Antihistamines	Benadryl	Allegra (with or without decongestant) <i>Instead of: Zyrtec and Claritin</i>	
Shortness of breath: Diuretics	Lasix <i>Instead of: Bumex, Diazide, Demadex, Zaroxilyn</i>		