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## APPROVED DRUGS IN PREGNANCY AND NURSING

During your pregnancy and while nursing, it is important **not** to take medications that might harm your baby. However, many over- the-counter medications are believed to be safe for minor problems; take these medications listed below *according to the instructions on the label*. You can buy these at most pharmacies or health food stores. If you have questions, are getting worse or not improving, contact your doctor's office to talk to a nurse or schedule an appointment.

Pain or Fever: Acetaminophen (Tylenol) or Extra Strength Tylenol

<u>Nausea or Morning Sickness</u>: B-Natal Morning Sickness lollipops as needed; Ginger 250 mg four time per day; Vitamin B6 (pyridoxine) 25 mg three times per day, Doxylamine (Unisom sleep tablets) 25 mg twice per day

Seasonal Allergies: Diphenhydramine (Benadryl), Loratadine (Claritin), Cetirizine (Zyrtec)

Cough Suppressant: Robitussin, Robitussin DM, Mucinex, Mucinex DM, Dextromethorphan (Delsym)

Stuffy and/or Runny Nose: Diphenhydramine (Benadryl), Chlor-Trimeton (Chlortabs), Saline nasal spray

Diarrhea: Loperamide (Imodium)

Constipation: Docusate (Colace) stool softener, Metamucil, FiberCon, Milk of Magnesia, Miralax

Hemorrhoids: Docusate (Colace) stool softener, Preparation H ointment

Sore Throat: Cepacol Gargle, Cepastate Lozenges, Halls Cough Drops or other throat lozenges

Heartburn: Mylanta, Tums, Rolaids, Famotidine (Pepcid), Ranitidine (Zantac), Pantoprazole (Prevacid)

Insomnia: Diphenhydramine (Benadryl) or Doxylamine (Unisom sleep tablets)

Rashes: Benadryl cream, Calamine lotion, Hydrocortisone cream 1% (use sparingly)

Yeast Infection: Miconozole cream (Monistat 1-day, 3-day OR 7-day); Clotrimazole (Gyne-lotrimin)

First Aid Ointments: Bacitracin, Polysporin

Step-wise Approach to increase Milk Production in Breast Feeding:

- 1. Drink plenty of water, increase breast feeding to every 2-3 hours (and/or pumping) for stimulation
- 2. Start taking *Fenugreek* 610mg: 3 capsules 3 times a day AND *Blessed Thistle* 390mg: 3 capsules 3 times a day
- 3. Add Brewer's Yeast if you are not still producing enough milk
- 4. Talk to you doctor about a prescription medication of Reglan for milk production

## Non-Prescription items that should NOT be taken during pregnancy:

- Alcohol, Tobacco or Illegal Drugs including marijuana
  \*Ask your doctor to help you quit smoking or call 1-800-QUIT NOW (1-800-784-8669)\*
- Aspirin (Including Pepto-Bismol), Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil, Midol) or Naproxen (Aleve)
- Products containing Phenylephrine, including Tylenol Cold and Sinus and Sudafed
- Retin-A, Retinol cream (Tretinoin, Trans Retinoic Acid, Retinoic Acid)

Ask your doctor about all your prescription medications, including for blood pressure, diabetes and depression. Any vitamin that says "prenatal" is safe and recommended to take in pregnancy. Ask your doctor about all herbal remedies before starting these.