

## **Therapeutic Duplication**

All Medication orders are clear and accurate. Unnecessary therapeutic duplication of medications orders is not acceptable; the Pharmacist must stop the line, call, and clarify with the practitioner what the correct criteria are for the order.

**PAIN MEDS:** If IV and PO route of administration is ordered for the same pain scale or indication for use, the PO route will be given unless the patient has nausea and/or vomiting or is unable to tolerate oral route.

**NAUSEA/VOMITING MEDS:** If multiple orders exist for as needed nausea and/or vomiting, the hierarchy of order of administration will be (unless otherwise indicated in the order comments):

1. Ondansetron (Zofran)
2. Metoclopramide (Reglan)
3. Prochlorperazine (Compazine)
4. Promethazine (Phenergan) – Oral/Rectal Only
5. Trimethobenzamide (Tigan)

**CONSTIPATION MEDS:** If multiple orders exist for as needed constipation, the hierarchy of order of administration will be (unless otherwise indicated in the order comments):

1. Docusate (Colace) oral
2. Senna oral
3. Docusate/Senna (Senokot S) oral
4. Bisacodyl (Dulcolax) oral
5. Magnesium Citrate oral
6. Polyethylene Glycol oral
7. Magnesium Hydroxide (Milk of Magnesia) oral
8. Bisacodyl (Dulcolax) suppository

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