

MEDICATION INFORMATION SHEET

GENERIC: CODEINE WITH ACETAMINOPHEN

BRAND NAME: TYLENOL #3

This medication is a narcotic pain reliever with 30 mg of codeine and 300 mg of acetaminophen.

This medication is very effective for treating postsurgical pain, however, it does have some unpleasant side effects. Nausea and sometimes vomiting are common. Drowsiness, which can impair your reflexes and judgment, is also common. Therefore, if you take this medication, do not drive, operate machinery, or make important decisions. This medication can also cause constipation and when taken over long periods of time, can be habit forming.

Our preference is that Tylenol #3 should be used as a secondary or supplemental pain medication. If you are able to take ibuprofen, this should be your primary pain reliever. Ibuprofen combines excellent pain relief with an anti-inflammatory component, which will help reduce swelling. If you are taking ibuprofen and need additional pain relief, please add Tylenol #3, starting with 1 tablet. Ibuprofen and Tylenol #3 can be taken together. If 1 tablet is not enough, then another tablet can be added. You may take up to 1 tablet every 4 hours of Tylenol #3.

We recommend that you familiarize yourself with this medication by reading the package insert and/or information provided by your pharmacist.

If you have any questions about your medications, please call 815-459-7400.



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