

ACTIVE LEARNING TEMPLATE: **Medication**

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REVIEW MODULE CHAPTER _____

MEDICATION Oxycodone

CATEGORY CLASS Opioid agonist

PURPOSE OF MEDICATION

Expected Pharmacological Action

Alters perception of and emotional response to pain

Therapeutic Use

Relief acute or chronic, moderate or severe pain

Complications

Side effect Depend on dosage amount. Experience dizziness, nausea, vomiting, hypotension, anorexia

Adverse effect:

Respiratory depression, cyanosis, cold clammy skin

Medication Administration

PO (Immediate-Release)

10 mg q4-6h PRN

Usual dosage range 5-15 mg q4-6h

PO (Controlled release)

Tablet 10 mg q12h

Capsules 5 mg q12h

Contraindications/Precautions

Acute or severe bronchial asthma, hypercarbia, GI obstruction, respiratory depression

Elevated ICP, hepatic/renal impairment, COPD, head injury

Interactions

Drug: Alcohol, CNS depressants

Food: Grapefruit

May increase serum amylase, lipase

Nursing Interventions

Palpate bladder for urinary retention.

Monitor daily pattern of bowel activity, stool consistency.

Monitor VS, LOC.

Screen drug abuse

Evaluation of Medication Effectiveness

Decrease in pain level

Client Education

Dry mouth

Avoid alcohol

Do not chew, crush, dissolve, or divide.