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SHOULDER ARTHROPLASTY POST-OPERATIVE MEDICACTION PROTOCOL

Pain Management Protocol

- **Oxycodone** 5mg to10mg (one to two pills) orally every 4 hours as needed.
- Acetaminophen (Tylenol) 500mg orally every 4 hours for 4 days, then as needed.
- Celebrex 200mg orally every day for 1 month, then as needed.
 - Cr. < 1.5-100mg
 - Cr. <1.2-200mg
- **Gabapentin** 100mg orally three times a day for 5 days
- **Zofran** 4 mg orally every 6 hours as needed for nausea
- **Colace** 100 mg orally 3 times per day while taking oxycodone to prevent constipation.
- Senna 2 tabs at bedtime to prevent constipation while taking oxycodone.
- ICE packs or cyrocuff three times a day for 1 hour each. Do not apply ice directly to skin as you may freeze your skin and get an "ice burn"

DVT (Blood Clot) Prophylaxis

• Aspirin 325mg orally twice a day for 30 days to prevent blood clots and help with pain

Showering

• You may shower on third day after surgery if dressing dry and keeps water off your wound.

Driving

• Not allowed while on narcotics or if sling is necessary