

DRUG CARD

Methadone

Mathadose

Generic Name

Trade Name

Pharmacologic Class: • Opioid agonist

Therapeutic Class: • Opioid analgesic

Action: Suppresses withdrawal symptoms. Binds to opiate receptors in the CNS and alters perception of pain while producing a general depression of the CNS. This depression also causes a decrease in the cough reflex and GI motility.

Indication: • Withdrawal symptoms
• Pain

Reason Given (Disease States): _____

Nursing Process

Pre-Administration Assessment:	Post Administration Evaluation:	Nursing Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use caution if patient is receiving MAO Inhibitors• May cause QT prolongation, hypotension, respiratory depression, dependence, confusion, sedation• Assess pain, vital signs, bowel function• May increase pancreatic enzyme levels• Assess withdrawal symptoms
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Other: _____

