## **MEDICATIONS AND DRUGS**

Everyone experiences at least a few of the classic discomforts of pregnancy during her nine months of pregnancy (I.E. morning sickness, back pain, constipation, and heartburn). For everyday ailments, some medications are considered safer than others. Whenever possible, it is best to try appropriate, non-medical remedies first, and avoid any medications during the first trimester. The following is a list of medications that are considered reasonably safe to take during pregnancy. After trying over the counter meds – if symptoms are still persistent, call OB office:

| <u>ANTACIDS</u>                                                                             | COLDS                                                                                                          | <u>LAXATIVES</u>                                                         |
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| Maalox Rolaids Tums Mylanta Zantac 75mg BID (30-45 min before meal) Prevacid Pepcid Tagamet | Benedryl (Ø driving) Claritin Tylenol Robitussin  Chlor-Trimeton Sucrets Lozenges Cepacil Lozenges Halls Vicks | Metamucil<br>Milk of Magnesia<br>Senokot<br>Colace<br>Peri-Colace        |
| <u>DIARRHEA</u>                                                                             | <b>HEMORRHOIDS</b>                                                                                             | <u>NAUSEA</u>                                                            |
| Immodium AD<br>Kaopectate                                                                   | Preparation H Anusol/Tucks                                                                                     | Vitamin B-6 50mg twice daily (w/ ½ tab of unisom) Ginger root Ginger Tea |
| PAIN/HEADACHE                                                                               | ALLERGIES                                                                                                      | SKIN RASH/ ITCHING                                                       |
| Tylenol xs (1-2 tabs as needed every 4-6 hrs)                                               | Zyrtec<br>Claritin<br>(note <u>not</u> Claritin D                                                              | Benedryl Lotion/spray<br>Caladryl Lotion<br>Calamine Lotion              |

or Zyrtec D)

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