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Transdermal Patch Application Information

Generic Name:	Buprenorphine
Application	 Apply to upper outer arm, upper chest or back, or side of chest Remove hair at application site if needed Press in place for 15 seconds Replace weekly Avoid same application site for at least 21 days
If Patch Falls Off	 Dispose of patch and replace new patch in a different site If patch doesn't stick well, tape sides with medical tape See through adhesive dressings (e.g. <i>Bioclusive</i> or <i>Tegaderm</i>) can be used to keep patch in place
Notes	Avoid direct exposure to heat
Generic Name:	Capsaicin
Application	 Apply 1-4 patches to painful area for 60 mins Remove hair at application site if needed Repeat application every 3 months if needed
If Patch Falls Off	Use rolled gauze to keep the patch(es) in place
Notes	Patch may be cut to fit the area
Generic Name:	Diclofenac
Application	 Apply to painful area two times a day Press firmly in place- especially around edges
If Patch Falls Off	 If not sticking well, tape sides with medical tape Mesh netting that allows air to pass can be used to keep patch in place (e.g. <i>Curad Hold Tite, Surgilast</i>)
Notes	 Do not wear in shower/bath Remove patch before MRI and reapply old patch if no more than 2 hours have passed since removal, if longer than 2 hours has passed, apply a new patch
Generic Name:	Estradiol
Application	 Apply to lower abdomen (see specific site on brand packaging) DO NOT apply to breasts Press firmly in place for 10 sec Replace weekly and rotate site weekly
If Patch Falls Off	 Reapply same patch (only brands that don't need a new site are Estraderm and Vivelle- Dot) If same patch doesn't fit, apply new patch
Notes	 Remove before MRI: Alora, Estradiol Transdermal System Bathing may loosen patch: Climara, Menostar, Climara Pro

Disposal: Refer to federal and state regulations for disposal recommendations.

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Transdermal Patch Application Information continued... Generic Name: Fentanyl Apply to flat surface (back, flank, chest, upper arm) Remove hair at application site if needed Application Place firmly in place for 30 sec Replace patch and rotate site every 72 hours If not sticking well, tape sides with medical tape If patch detaches, replace with new patch If Patch Falls Off Adhesive dressings (e.g. Bioclusive or Tegaderm) can be used to cover patch completely if needed. Double check product labeling before selecting an adhesive Avoid direct exposure to heat Notes Remove before MRI. After procedure, apply new patch at a new site Generic Name: Lidocaine Apply 1-3 patches to painful area Application Apply patches for up to 12 hours in a 24-hour period (12° on, 12° off) May apply medical tape to hole in place If Patch Falls Off May use ACE bandages to hold in place, do not apply too tightly May cut patches to fit the area Notes Remove if irritation occurs and do not reapply until irritation subsides Generic Name: Nicotine Apply to non-hairy skin · Press firmly in place for 10 sec Application Replace once daily - Can be worn 16 or 24 hours If not sticking well or gets loose, tape sides with medical tape If Patch Falls Off If patch detaches, apply new patch to a new site Remove patch before MRI and reapply same patch after the procedure Notes Remove patch before bed if vivid dreams or other sleep disturbances occur Generic Name: Nitroglycerin AVOID application to extremities below knee or elbow Rotate application site daily (Nitro-Dur, and Minitran) Application • Ensure patch free period of 10- 12 hours a day Do not apply immediately after bathing (Nitroglycerin TD System) If Patch Falls Off Replace with a new patch at an alternate site (alternate site not needed for Nitro-Dur) Generic Name: Scopolamine Apply to hairless area behind the ear For motion sickness: apply 4° before needed and remove in 3 days, apply new patch if Application needed Prior to surgery: apply evening before and remove 24° after Apply new patch behind other ear If Patch Falls Off

Remove before MRI, apply new patch behind other ear after procedure

Disposal: Refer to federal and state regulations for disposal recommendations.

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