## SAFE / UNSAFE MEDICATION LIST – Updated: July 4, 2016

The following list is for common and prescription medications, which are Safe / Unsafe for use for persons in recovery. If a medication changes the way you feel or is mood altering, AVOID IT.

**NOTE:** Ensure generic medications fall into the Safe category of acceptable medications.

#### UNSAFE **SAFE** Avoid pain medications that contain Opiates (e.g. **Pain Medications:** Codeine): Regular or Extra Strength Tylenol

- Tylenol 1, 2, 3 or 4 (all Opioids)
- Demerol
- Percocet
- Fiorinal Plan ¼ or ½
- Levo-Dromoran
- 222, 282, 292, 692, Darvon (Propoxyphene)
- **Talwin**
- Percodan
- Leritine
- Dilaudid
- **Nabilone**

#### **Avoid Nerve and Sleeping Pills including:**

- Librium
- Tranxene
- Serax
- Xanax
- Others used for anxiety/nervousness/ tranquilizer
- All Benzodiazepines

## **Avoid CNS Stimulants such as Methamphetamines:**

- Dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine)
- Lisdexamphetamine

### Avoid Sleeping Pills including these and others:

- **Dalmane**
- Halcion
- Restoril
- Tuinal
- Seconal
- Zopiclone (Imovane)

#### **Avoid Muscle Relaxants:**

- Robaxisal
- Robaxacet
- Parafon
- Flexeril

## Over the Counter Medications can be a Serious Threat:

Cough syrups contain alcohol, codeine and antihistamines. These are all drugs which need to be avoided.

## **Avoid Sedating Antihistamines such as:**

- Gravol
- Actifed
- Dimetap
- Chlortriplon
- Benydryl or products containing diphenhydramine

- ASA or Aspirin
- Advil or Ibuprofen
- Midol

# **Available Only by Prescription:**

- **Tryptan**
- Buspirone (Buspar)
- Gabapentin
- Toradol
- Possible other prescription medications please contact Resident Nurse for clarification

# Antidepressants Safe with Proper Use and by **Prescription Only:**

- Elavil
- Citalopram
- Morex
- Serzone
- Desipramine
- Effexor (Venlafaxine)
- Zoloft (Sertraline)
- Prozac (Fluoxetine)
- Luvox (Fluvoxamine)
- Paxil (Paroxetine)
- Trazodone (Desyrel)
- Mirtazapine
- **Buproprion**
- Seroquel (Quetiapine)

# Migraines:

**Imitrex** 

#### **Non-Sedating Antihistamines:**

- Seldane
- Claritin
- Hismanil

#### **Sleep Aids:**

- **Epsom Salt**
- Melatonin
- Calcium (333mg) Magnesium (167mg) with VD3 (5mcg)
- Lavender Oil

Note: This is a partial list. If you require more information, please ask the Doctor or Pharmacist about non-psycho active/mood-altering medications. Unsafe/mood-altering medications brought into treatment and taken in the two weeks prior to the Intake date will result in the Client's immediate discharge from the program.