





# Age tailored pain treatment guide

Ask: How old are you?

Assess the risks and benefit associated with patient's age groups? prior to prescribing medications for pain.

# Children (0-18 years)

Cognitive age: varying pain perception and expression in children leads to inadequate pain assessment<sup>1</sup>

Dose adjustment of analgesics is recommended according to the weight of each child²

# Adult (19-64 years)

Pain acceptance: when in pain young adult feels more emotional suffering, lifestyle disruption, frustration and anger due to inability to perform their daily task<sup>3</sup> may lead to inadequate pain assessment.

# **Elderly** (65+ years)

Pain in older adults is common and management is often more complex because of polypharmacy, changes in pharmacodynamics and cognitive and functional declines<sup>4</sup>

With oral NSAIDs concurrent proton pump inhibitor use suggested to minimize Gastrointestinal adverse events<sup>5</sup>

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## OTC analgesics for pain treatment across age groups

**Paracetamol** 

**Oral NSAIDs** 

**Topical NSAIDs** 

**Paracetamol** 

#### combination Paracetamol is antipyretic Paracetamol combinations Oral NSAIDs such as Topical NSAIDS for e.g. and analgesic medication is with other analgesics such as Ibuprofen, Diclofenac, Diclofenac, indomethacin in suitable across age groups, †Oral NSAIDs OR ‡ topical Naproxen etc. are anti-inthe form of gel, spray, patch NSAIDs OR Opioids have or plasters have low systemic also recommended for pain flammatory analgesics are management \*when NSAIDs superior effectiveness advised to co prescribed with exposure. Topical NSAIDs are are contraindicated. It is best best used forcompared to single agents. It a proton pump inhibitor to is best used when pain overcome GI bleeding risk. **Age groups** intensity increases for--Oral NSAIDs is best used for-Fever and mild to moderate ✓ Dental pain<sup>4†</sup> Dental pain⁴, Migraine⁶, NA Children Pain<sup>1</sup>, sore throat pain<sup>2</sup> Sore throat pain<sup>2</sup>, TTH<sup>10</sup>, (0-18 years) Dental pain<sup>4\*</sup>, TTH<sup>10</sup> and Fever and mild to Acute Migraine<sup>3,10</sup> moderate Pain<sup>1</sup> ◆ Dental pain<sup>4†</sup>, LBP<sup>13†</sup>. ◆ Dental pain<sup>4</sup> Migraine<sup>6</sup>, ◆ Acute migraine<sup>6\*</sup>, Knee Adult OA5, Sore throat pain<sup>2</sup>, Migraine<sup>14†</sup> and MSK Knee OA5, Sore throat acute LBP9 (19-64 years) Dental pain<sup>4\*</sup>, fever and pain<sup>2</sup>, TTH<sup>10</sup>, LBP<sup>8</sup> and PD<sup>16</sup> pain<sup>7,15‡</sup>† mild to moderate pain1, and LBP8 Fever and mild to ◆ Dental pain<sup>4†</sup>, and Dental Pain⁴, Knee OA⁵, **Elderly** acute LBP moderate pain1, Knee OA5, MSK Pain7,15‡† Sore throat pain<sup>2</sup>, TTH<sup>10</sup>, (65+ years) Dental pain<sup>4\*</sup>, Sore throat LBP<sup>8</sup> and Migraine<sup>3</sup> pain<sup>2</sup>. TTH<sup>10</sup>.LBP<sup>8</sup> Migraine<sup>3</sup> and MSK<sup>11</sup> Avoided or dose See individual medica-Avoided in elderly<sup>12</sup> or Avoided in patients with: adjustment needed in tions e.g. paracetamol or Patients with: Known hypersensitivity elderly<sup>12</sup> or patient with other active ingredients Known hypersensitivity Asthma, angioedema, hepatic impairment, used in the combinations or allergy urticaria, or acute rhinitis renal impairment, also in thereof. Asthma, angioedema, Risk of skin sensitivity patient with severe urticaria, or acute rhinitis · During the last trimester alcohol use. Active gastric or of pregnancy intestinal ulcer • Severe cardiac failure · Hepatic failure · Renal failure Last trimester of pregnancy Abbreviations: Max dose: 4000 mg/kg, Max dose: 4000 mg/kg, Max dose: Ibuprofen: Max dose: Diclofenac MSK: Musculoskeletal; 2000 mg/kg (elderly or 3000 mg/kg (elderly or 1200 mg/day; Naproxen 1% or 3% gel: Apply 3-4 OA: Osteoarthritis; patient with kidney patient with kidney 1000mg/day; Diclofenac: times/day up to 7 days9

impairment)

#### **Selection of OTC medication:**

Pain relief medications vary widely in their suitability across different age groups.

Haleon Pain portfolio covers all age groups

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### Children

LBP: Low Back pain;

PD: primary dysmenorrhea

TTH: Tension type headache and

- 1. Advil kids
- 2. Panadol kids
- 3. Panadol Advance
- 4. Advil liqui-gel

### **Adult**

- 1. Panadol extend
- 2. Panadol Extra
- 3. Advil liqui-gel
- 4. Voltaren 1% & 2% gel

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### **Elderly**

- 1. Panadol extend
- 2. Panadol Extra
- 3. Advil liqui-gel
- 4. Voltaren 1% &2% gel

150mg/day.

### Use OTC cautiously in case of:

- 1. Other concurrent medications, including natural remedies
- Pre-existing medical conditions
- 3. Smoking/alcohol consumption
- 4. Patient >65
- 5. Allergies

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