SICK DAY RULES

Oldfield Family Practice



WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

When you are ill, with diarrhoea, vomiting or a high fever you can become dehydrated.

When you are dehydrated, taking certain medications can lead to a more serious illness.



WHAT SHOULD I DO?

To prevent this from happening certain medications should be temporarily stopped.

These can be restarted again once you have recovered. You should take them as normal and not take any extra for the doses you have missed.

WHICH MEDICATIONS SHOULD I STOP?

NSAIDs:

An anti-inflammatory pain killer Examples- ibuprofen, naproxen

ARBs:

A medicine for high blood pressure and heart conditions

Examples- candesartan, losartan

Metformin:
A medicine for diabetes

ACE Inhibitors:

A medicine for high blood pressure and heart conditions

Examples-ramipril, lisinopril

Diuretics:

Medicine for high blood pressure and heart conditions

Examples- furosemide, spironolactone, indapamide

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