

MEDICATIONS TO **AVOID** DURING PREGNANCY

Certain Antibiotics:

Fluoroquinolones (anything ending in “floxacin”)-examples are Levaquin, Cipro

Tetracycline, Minocycline

Bactrim and other sulfa drugs-avoid in the 3rd trimester

Diflucan

Vaccines:

MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)

Nasal spray flu vaccine (the injection is ok and recommended during flu season)

Varicella (chickenpox)

BCG (tuberculosis)-not given in the U.S. but still given in other countries

High Blood Pressure Medicines:

ACE inhibitors (end in “pril”)-examples are Lisinopril, Captopril, Enalapril

Angiotensin receptor blockers-examples are Diovan, Benicar, Cozaar, Micardis

Pain Medications:

Advil, Ibuprofen, Motrin, Aleve, Excedrin

Use narcotics sparingly if needed, as overuse may lead to withdrawal in the baby after birth

Blood Thinners:

Coumadin (warfarin)

Aspirin

Indigestion Medications:

Alka-Seltzer

Pepto-Bismol