

Acetaminophen (Tylenol; Tempra)

Indication(s): Pain Management

Contraindications: Hypersensitivity to acetaminophen, known G6PD deficiency or liver failure.

Precautions: May cause severe liver toxicity in overdose. Use cautiously in patients with alcoholic liver disease. Excessive alcohol intake can increase risk of acetaminophen-induced liver toxicity.

Adverse Effects: Uncommon, as <1% patients experience any adverse effects.

Pharmacology: Onset of action: <1 hour. Time to peak effect: Oral dosing: 10-60 minutes. Duration of action: 4-6 hours.

Dosage and Administration:

- Adults/Children over 12 yrs: 1000mg PO q6 hr prn (max/24hr: 4000mg).
- Children 4-16 yrs and under: 15mg/kg PO q6 hr prn (max/24hr: 4000mg).