

Appendix D: Common Potential Drug Interactions with Methadone

DRUGS THAT CAN INCREASE METHADONE LEVEL/TOXICITY	DRUGS THAT CAN DECREASE METHADONE LEVEL/OPIOID WITHDRAWAL
Antibiotics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ciprofloxacin ■ Clarithromycin ■ Erythromycin ■ Isoniazid 	Antiepileptics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Carbamazepine ■ Phenobarbital ■ Phenytoin
Antidepressants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Fluoxetine ■ Fluvoxamine ■ Nefazodone ■ Paroxetine ■ Sertraline 	Antiretroviral: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Abacavir ■ Amprenavir ■ Efavirenz ■ Indinavir ■ Nelfinavir ■ Nevirapine ■ Ritonivir ■ Saquinavir
Antifungal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Fluconazole ■ Ketoconazole ■ Metronidazole 	Barbiturates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Phenobarbital ■ Secobarbital ■ Butalbital
Others: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ All benzodiazepines ■ Amiodarone ■ Amitriptyline ■ Cimetidine ■ Delaviridine ■ Dihydroergotamine ■ Diltiazem ■ Disulfiram ■ Indinivir ■ Propoxyphene ■ Quinidine ■ Saquinivir ■ Urinary alkalinizers ■ Verapamil 	Others: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Cocaine ■ Primidone ■ Rifampin ■ Risperidone ■ St. John's Wort ■ Nicotine ■ Urinary Acidifiers

(Antoniou & Lin-in Tseng, 2002; Elsayem & Breura, 2005; Isaac et al., 2004; Layson-Wolf et al., 2002; Weschules et al., 2008)