## **Drug Information Table**

## **Antiparkinson Agent/MAO-B Inhibitors – selegiline (Eldepryl, Zelapar ODT)**

<ul> <li>Symptoms of Parkinson's disease (PD) as an adjunct to levodopa/carbidopa</li> <li>Major depression – transdermal patch (Emsam)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Insomnia</li> <li>Hypertension (as an interaction with other drugs) – at high doses</li> <li>Irritation of oral mucous membranes (with orally disintegrating form)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Monitor for any adverse effects</li> <li>Carefully monitor other drugs client may be taking</li> <li>Monitor BP while taking this drug</li> <li>Inspect tongue and oral cavity for irritation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Give with levodopa/carbidopa so that levodopa dosage may be reduced</li> <li>Give orally disintegrating form (Zelapar) by placing it on the top of the tongue</li> <li>Give before morning meal</li> <li>Don't eat or drink for 5 min before or after administration</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Instruct client to take last dose of the day by noon to prevent insomnia</li> <li>Instruct client to notify provider before taking any new drugs</li> <li>Instruct client about foods to avoid</li> <li>Inform client of drugs, including herbals, which may interact with selegiline</li> <li>Instruct client to report irritation to provider</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Hypersensitivity</li><li>Receiving meperidine for pain</li></ul>
Peptic ulcer disease
<ul> <li>Meperidine (Demerol) and other opioids, MAOIs, tricyclic or SSRI antidepressants can cause high fever, hypertension, rigidity</li> <li>Foods containing tyramine can cause hypertension (less likely to do so than other MAOI drugs)</li> <li>Herbal drugs, such as ephedra, St. John's wort, ginseng, or ma huang, can cause severe hypertension</li> <li>Antihypertensive drugs, diuretics, or general anesthetics can cause hypotension</li> </ul>