

Do you know there are important differences between pain relievers?

For people with special health conditions, such as high blood pressure, certain non-prescription pain medications may be more suitable for use than others.

Find out which pain reliever may be most appropriate for you:

CONDITION	ACETAMINOPHEN (E.G. TYLENOL®)	IBUPROFEN (E.G. ADVIL®, MOTRIN®) NAPROXEN SODIUM (E.G. ALEVE®, MOTRIMAX 12 HOUR™)
 High Blood Pressure	<p>#1 Doctor Recommended pain reliever for individuals living with high blood pressure</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist before use of either ibuprofen or naproxen sodium-containing products if you have high blood pressure, heart disease or heart failure. They may recommend an alternative analgesic such as acetaminophen.^{1,2,3,4}</p> <p>The United States Food and Drug Administration has concluded that ibuprofen & naproxen sodium may increase the chance of a heart attack or stroke either of which can lead to death.⁵</p>
 Stomach Irritation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ulcers • Inflammatory Bowel Disease (Crohn's, Colitis) • Gastrointestinal Bleeding 	<p>#1 Doctor Recommended pain reliever for individuals living with stomach irritation.</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist if you have peptic ulcer disease or gastrointestinal bleeding. You should not take ibuprofen or naproxen sodium.^{1,2,3,4}</p> <p>Naproxen sodium should also not be used if you have a history of inflammatory bowel disease.^{2,4}</p>
 Respiratory Illness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asthma 	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist. Acetaminophen may be a suitable choice for people with asthma who are at increased risk of side effects when using pain relievers.⁶</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist before using naproxen sodium if you have or have had asthma.^{2,4}</p> <p>Ibuprofen should not be used if you have been diagnosed with asthma.^{1,3}</p>
 Kidney or Liver Disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cirrhosis • Alcoholism 	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist. Taking too much acetaminophen can increase the risk of serious or potential fatal liver damage. Do not use if you drink more than 3 alcoholic beverages a day or if you have liver disease.</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist. Both ibuprofen and naproxen sodium should not be used if you have serious kidney or liver disease.^{1,2,3,4}</p>
 Are 55+ Years Old	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist. Acetaminophen may be a suitable option for certain people at increased risk of side effects from use of pain relievers. This includes older individuals and people taking multiple prescription medications.⁶</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist. Both ibuprofen and naproxen sodium are to be used differently in elderly individuals.^{1,2,3,4}</p>
 Are on Multiple Medications	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist Acetaminophen may be a suitable choice for certain people taking multiple prescription or non-prescription medications.⁶</p>	<p>Speak to Your Doctor or Pharmacist before using ibuprofen or naproxen if you are on multiple prescription or non-prescription medications.^{1,2,3,4}</p>



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