

## Types of **OPIOID PAIN** Medication

### Hydrocodone, Oxycodone

- › Tablet form
- › For moderate to severe pain
- › Is taken every 4-6 hours
- › Usual dose 5-10 mg

### Morphine

- › Comes in liquid and tablet
- › For moderate to severe pain
- › Liquid form can be taken more frequently than 4 hours (ask Hospice Team)
- › Usual dose 5-10 mg

### Fentanyl

- › Comes as patch lasting 72 hours
- › For moderate to severe pain
- › Different strengths are available

### Methadone

- › Tablet and liquid available
- › Long acting and strong

- › For moderate to severe pain
- › Can be useful to decrease number of pain pills taken



- › Tablets should not be chewed, but can be crushed (ask Hospice Team)
- › Talk with your Hospice Team if a stronger dose or more frequent dosing is needed
- › Always take a laxative if taking Opioids (unless told otherwise by the Hospice Team)