## Questions you can ask about pain medications:



- Why is this medication recommended for me?
- Is this medication addictive? Is this an opioid?
- How does this medication work? What does it do in the body?
- How long will it take before it starts working?
- Are there any side effects? How common are these side effects?
- Will I need any tests while I'm on this medication?
- Do I take this medication with or without food? Should I avoid any food or drink when I take it?
- Is this medication safe to take with other medications I am already taking?
- What if I miss a dose?
- How much does this medication cost?
- What is the next step if this medication doesn't work for me?