



**MYASTHENIA GRAVIS**  
**MEDICATION INFORMATION CARD**  
 Drugs to be Avoided  
 or  
 Used with Caution  
 in MG

My Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ or ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_



Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact in Emergency:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ or ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Medical Conditions:**

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**Current Medications:**

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**DRUGS TO BE AVOIDED OR USED WITH CAUTION IN MYASTHENIA GRAVIS (MG)**

- > D-penicillamine and alpha-interferon should not be used in myasthenic patients, as they can cause MG. Botulinum toxin should be avoided.
- > Increased weakness in a significant number of MG patients has been reported with the following drugs; use only with caution and monitor for exacerbation of MG symptoms:
  - Neuromuscular blocking agents such as succinylcholine and vecuronium should only be used by an anesthesiologist familiar with MG
  - Quinine, quinidine or procainamide
  - Selected antibiotics, particularly aminoglycosides and ciprofloxacin (*Note: Many other antibiotics have been reported to increase MG weakness in occasional patients.*)
  - Beta-blockers (propranolol, timolol maleate eyedrops)
  - Calcium channel blockers
  - Iodinated contrast agents (a form of X-ray dye)



**Numerous additional medications are reported to increase weakness in occasional patients with MG. The MG patient and physician should be alert to this possibility whenever a new medication is prescribed.**

For questions regarding medications, contact my MG doctor:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ or ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

**More thorough, complete and up-to-date information on drug effects in MG may be found at the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc. Web site:**

[www.myasthenia.org](http://www.myasthenia.org)

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