Checklist for Pharmacotherapy Consideration	✓
Patient has tried non-Rx (e.g. weight loss, increased activity, thermal modalities), but pain persists	
Arthritis education has been provided	
Current medications and supplements have been reviewed	
Medication allergies have been discussed	
Medical history has been discussed	
Acetaminophen (mild-moderate pain) – Maintain < 4 grams per 24 hours from all sources	
Failed adequate trial of scheduled acetaminophen	
NSAIDs (OTC) – Assess patient for appropriate use and risk factors (GI, renal, CV, asthma)	
Failed adequate trial of scheduled NSAIDs	
Recommend referral to PCP for further evaluation	

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Nonpharmacological Treatment Options Checklist	✓
Arthritis education	
Weight loss (if overweight)	
Increase physical activity	
Information regarding community-based resources	
Exercise (non-weight bearing on the affected joint/s)	
Assistive walking devices (e.g. cane) (if applicable)	
Corrective footwear (if applicable)	
Hot or cold therapy	
Referral to physical therapy and/or occupational therapy	

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