Medications to Discontinue before Skin Testing

These are the most common medications that may interfere with skin testing

Antihistamines:

Discontinue for 1 week

Zyrtec (Cetirizine) 1 week Xyzal (Levocetirizine) 1 week Claritin (Loratadine) 1 week Allegra (Fexofenadine) 1 week Atarax (Hydroxyzine) 1 week Clarinex (Desloratadine) 1 week Periactin (Cyproheptadine) 1 week Sinequan (Doxepin) 1 week Tavist (Clemastine) 1 week

Discontinue 72 Hours:

Benadryl (diphenhydramine) 72 hours Chlorpheniramine Maleate 72 hours Phenergan (Promethazine) 72 hours

Medication that **Can** be continued:

All asthma Inhalers
Flonase, Nasacort, Qnasl, Veramyst, and Zetona
Prednisone (all steroids okay)
Singulair (Montelukast)
Theophylline
Vicks Formula 44

Creams are OKAY, not on back day of appt.

Antacids:

Discontinue for 72 hours

Cimetidine 72 hours
Pepcid
(Famotidine) 72 hours

Eye Drops:

Bepreve 24 hours
Optivar 24 hours
Pataday 24 hours
Patanol 24 hours
Zaditor 24 hours

Nasal Spray:

Astelin (Azelastine) 72 hours Astepro 72 hours Dymista 72 hours Patanase (Olopatadine) 72 hours

^{*}Check any cold medications to make sure they contain NO Diphenhydramine