Metoclopramide for the Treatment of Reflux, Nausea, and Vomiting

Metoclopramide (Reglan®) is used for gastroesophageal reflux. It is also used to treat nausea and vomiting.

Your child's doctor wants your child to have _____________________________ (amount) every ___________________ (how often).

How to Give:

Liquid: Use an oral syringe to draw up the amount of medication ordered by your child's doctor. Give the medicine slowly. Be sure your child swallows all of the medicine.

Tablet: Give only the amount ordered by the doctor. The tablets may be crushed and put in a small amount of liquid or soft food if needed. Make sure your child swallows all of the medication.

Special Instructions:

- If your child is taking this medicine regularly and misses a dose, give the dose as soon as possible. If it is nearly time for the next dose, skip the missed dose. Do not give two doses together.

- This medication will add to the effects of alcohol and other medications (cold, allergy or pain medications). Be sure to check with your child's doctor before giving your child other medications.

- Your child may become drowsy, dizzy or clumsy when taking this medicine. Be sure to provide safe play activities. Avoid activities such as bike riding, rollerblading, skateboarding or scooter riding. Driving or operating equipment should also be avoided while taking this medicine.

Common Side Effects:

- Drowsiness
- Dizziness
- Dryness of the mouth or nose

Side Effects that Should be Reported to your Child’s Doctor Immediately:

- Unexplained high fever
- Trouble breathing
- Uncontrollable movements of the eyes, neck or tongue
- Twitching of the body that your child can not stop
Special Considerations:

- Let your child's doctor and pharmacist know if your child is taking other medications or has an allergy to any medications.
- Tell your child's doctor and pharmacist if your child is taking any vitamins, herbal products or nutritional supplements.
- Tell your child's doctor of any medical conditions your child has.
- Keep the medication in its original container and away from sunlight, heat or dampness.
- Keep the medication out of the reach of children.
- Call your child's doctor or pharmacist before giving your child any over-the-counter medications.

Call your child’s doctor or the Children’s Mercy Hospital Information Line at (816) 234-3188 if:

- Your child has any of the side effects listed above that should be reported immediately.
- You have any questions or concerns about your child's illness or this medication.

Call the Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222 if:

- Too much medication is taken.
- Medication is taken accidentally.