PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET
Salbutamol 2 mg/5 ml Oral Solution

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.

1. What Salbutamol is and what it is used for

Salbutamol is used to rapidly treat asthma, bronchospasm and reversible airways obstruction by widening the airways of the lungs. It is suitable for children or adults who prefer liquid medicines or are unable to use an inhaler device.

2. What you need to know before you take Salbutamol

- For doses less than 5 ml
- Only to be taken by mouth. Shake the bottle well before measuring the dose in the 5 ml plastic spoon provided.

3. How to take Salbutamol

- This medicinal product contains small amounts of ethanol (alcohol), less than 100 mg per 5 ml.
- Your medicine contains:
- Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine during pregnancy, or if you are breast-feeding.
- Salbutamol should only be used in pregnancy and when breast-feeding if considered to be essential by the doctor.
- If any of these happen to you, talk to your doctor as soon as possible. Do not stop using this medicine unless told to do so.
- Tell your doctor if you have any of the following side effects which may also happen with this medicine:
- Very common (may affect more than 1 in 10 people)
- Headache
- Muscle cramps

4. Possible side effects

- This medicine has been prescribed for you. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.
- If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

5. How to store Salbutamol

- Do not take Salbutamol if you:
- have an allergy (hypersensitivity) to Salbutamol Sulphate or any of the other ingredients of Salbutamol (see Section 6 and end of section 2).
- are in premature labour or threatened miscarriage.

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse before taking Salbutamol if you:

- are diabetic, as this product may cause an increase in blood sugar levels. This effect may be further increased if you are also taking diuretics.
- have an irregular heartbeat/heart rhythm, including a very fast pulse.
- have osteoporosis.
- have severe asthma: your peak flow meter reading should be monitored regularly.
- have unstable asthma, you may need additional treatment and regular monitoring.
- need to use your asthma medication(s) more frequently to control your symptoms.
- have an enlarged prostate, as Salbutamol may cause difficulty in passing water.

If you are having surgery requiring general anaesthetic (for example chloroform, cyclopropane or halothane) please tell the medical staff you are taking Salbutamol.

5. How to store Salbutamol

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Do not use Salbutamol after the expiry date.
- Keep out of the sight and reach of children. Do not store above 25°C.

Reporting of side effects

- If the medicine does not seem to be working as well as usual, TELL YOUR DOCTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- It may be that your chest condition is getting worse and you need a different medicine. DO NOT TAKE EXTRA ORAL SOLUTION unless told to by your doctor.
- If you take more Salbutamol than you should:
- Do not take double a dose to make up for the forgotten dose. If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- You should STOP using Salbutamol and seek advice from your doctor if you experience a rare allergic reaction, including skin rashes, difficulty breathing, dizziness or collapse.

Like all medicines, Salbutamol can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Allergic reactions (affects less than 1 in 10,000 people)

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6. Contents of the pack and other information

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- Children over 12 years:
  - Half to one 5 ml spoonful (2.5 - 5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Children aged 2 – 6 years:
  - One 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Children aged 6 – 12 years:
  - One 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Children aged 12 years:
  - One to two 5 ml spoonfuls (5 - 10 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Elderly patients and patients unusually sensitive to this class of medicine:
  - Start treatment with one 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- Adults:
  - Two 5 ml spoonfuls (10 ml), 3 or 4 times per day, which may be increased to a maximum of four 5 ml spoonfuls (20 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- The usual dose is:
  - Two 5 ml spoonfuls (10 ml), 3 or 4 times per day, which may be increased to a maximum of four 5 ml spoonfuls (20 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- Children aged 2 – 6 years:
  - Half to one 5 ml spoonful (2.5 - 5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- Children aged 6 – 12 years:
  - One 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- Children over 12 years:
  - One to two 5 ml spoonfuls (5 - 10 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

- Elderly patients and patients unusually sensitive to this class of medicine:
  - Start treatment with one 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.

If you or someone else takes too much Salbutamol, you should contact your doctor or pharmacist who will recommend what action you should take.

The following effects may happen:
- your heart beating faster than usual
- you feel shaky
- hyperactivity
- acid build up in your body which may cause your breathing to become faster.

These effects usually wear off in a few hours.

If you miss a dose, take it as soon as you remember and take any remaining doses for that day at every spaced times. Do not take a double a dose to make up for the forgotten dose.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

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  - One 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Children aged 6 – 12 years:
  - One 5 ml spoonful (5 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Children over 12 years:
  - One to two 5 ml spoonfuls (5 - 10 ml), 3 or 4 times per day.
- Elderly patients and patients unusually sensitive to this class of medicine:
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