

Medication Information Card

Proton Pump Inhibitors

Other names for this medication

Dexlansoprazole - Dexilant[®]
Esomeprazole - Nexium[®]
Lansoprazole - Prevacid[®]
Omeprazole - Losec[®], Prilosec[®]
Pantoprazole - Pantoloc[®]
Rabeprazole - Pariet[®]

How this medication is used

This medication lowers the amount of acid in the stomach. It is used to treat or prevent ulcers, severe heartburn or conditions in which the stomach produces too much acid.

A proton pump inhibitor may also be used with antibiotic medication to cure a bacterial infection in the stomach that can cause ulcers. It may take several days before this medication starts to relieve stomach pain.

How to take this medication

Take this medication exactly as directed by your doctor.
This medication should be taken before a meal or at bedtime.

If you miss a dose of this medication, take it as soon as possible. However, if it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular time. Do not take 2 doses at one time.

Tablet or Capsule: Swallow whole with a full glass of water. Do not crush, chew or suck the tablet or capsule.

Store this medication in the container it came in, away from moisture, heat and light.

While taking this medication you may notice

- abdominal pain
- headache
- diarrhea
- nausea and vomiting
- gas

Contact your doctor if you notice

- skin rash or itching