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Metronidazole Benzoate

Medication:

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Use:

Metronidazole Benzoate is an antiprotozoal and antibacterial agent used to treat various infections, including intestinal amebiasis (amebic dysentery), Trichomoniasis, Giardiasis, Periodontitis, and many other anaerobic infections. It can also be used prophylactically before surgery to prevent infection.

Side Effects:

Metronidazole Benzoate administration may cause gastro-intestinal upset including nausea and vomiting (accompanied by headache), loss of appetite, unpleasant metallic taste, and darkening of the urine. Less commonly, it may cause diarrhea, epigastric distress, abdominal cramping, constipation, proctitis, Candidiasis infections, seizures, numbness or paresthesia of extremities, dizziness, vertigo, incoordination, confusion, irritability, depression, weakness, insomnia, headache, dizziness, problems with urination, dryness of mouth or vagina, rash, joint pain, and fever.

Precautions:

Concurrent use of alcohol with Metronidazole Benzoate can cause severe abdominal cramps, nausea, vomiting, headache, and flushing. Concurrent use of Disulfiram (Antabuse) can result in an acute psychotic reaction or a state of confusion. Metronidazole Benzoate can interact with Warfarin and other anticoagulants, Phenobarbital, Phenytoin, and Cimetidine. Patients should alert their physician if they are taking any of these, as the dosage of Metronidazole Benzoate may need to be adjusted. Patients should contact their physician or pharmacist if they experience any tingling or numbness in any extremities. Use during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Directions:

Doses may vary with individual and infection being treated, but some typical doses are:

Amoebic dysentery: 640 mg Metronidazole Benzoate (equivalent to 400mg Metronidazole) three times a day for 8 to 10 days.

Trichomoniasis: 320 mg Metronidazole Benzoate (equivalent to 200mg Metronidazole) three times a day for 7 days, 3200 mg Metronidazole Benzoate given in one day.

Giardiasis: Adults: 3200 mg Metronidazole Benzoate (equivalent to 2000 mg Metronidazole) daily for three consecutive days.

Children: 1600 mg daily for three consecutive days.

Infants: 640 mg daily for three consecutive days.

Avoid alcohol during treatment and for 72 hours following last dosage consumed!!!

Take with food to avoid stomach upset. Complete full course of therapy (take until gone). If Trichomoniasis is being treated, patient should refrain from sexual intercourse during therapy or wear a condom to avoid reinfection. (Partner should also be treated with Metronidazole prescribed by a physician).

For any questions, either talk to your healthcare provider or your pharmacist.