

Name of Child: _____ Date: _____

Promethazine Hydrochloride Suppository

Other name: Phenergan

Why it is given: For feeling sick to the stomach and throwing up.

When to give it:

- Give one promethazine suppository rectally every _____ hours, as needed.
- Your child's last dose was given at _____ a.m./p.m.
Do not give the next promethazine suppository before _____ a.m./p.m.

What you need:

- a promethazine suppository
- an exam glove
- K-Y jelly (not petroleum jelly or Vaseline)

How to give it:

1. If possible, have the child use bathroom.
2. Wash your hands.
3. Unwrap the suppository.
4. Put on a glove.
5. Apply tiny dab of K-Y Jelly to top of the suppository.
6. Have the child lie on his side.
8. Spread the child's buttocks and put the suppository into the anus. Push the suppository in, past the muscle. This will keep it from slipping out.



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past the muscle.**

9. Take off the glove, throw it away.
10. Wash your hands.

After the treatment: Tell your child he or she may feel the need to use the bathroom, but that is just the suppository. After the suppository melts, the feeling will go away.

Things to know:

- Store this medicine in the refrigerator.
- Since promethazine may cause dizziness, avoid skates, skateboards, bicycles and driving after taking this medicine.
- Keep this and all medicine out of the reach of children.
- Do not give the next promethazine suppository before _____ a.m. / p.m.

Possible Side Effects:

- dizziness
- drowsiness
- sleepiness

Now that you've read this:

- Tell your nurse or doctor when you would give a promethazine suppository. (Check when done.)
- Show your nurse or doctor how you would give a suppository. (Check when done.)



If you have any questions or concerns,
 call your child's doctor or call _____

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por favor pídasela a su enfermero o doctor.

Name of Health Care Provider: _____ Number: 79

For office use: Date returned: _____ db nb

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Yes No

If yes, what?

What changes would you make in this handout to make it better or easier to understand?

Please return your review of this handout to your nurse or doctor or send it to the address below.

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