



DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Division of Public Health

ANY SEXUAL PARTNER WHO HAS A HISTORY OF ALLERGY TO THIS ANTIBIOTIC OR THE PHARMACEUTICAL CLASS OF ANTIBIOTIC SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS ANTIBIOTIC AND SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY EXAMINED BY A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

TINIDAZOLE (TINDAMAX) – ORAL

USES: Tinidazole is used to treat a variety of infections which can be caused by types of germs known as anaerobic bacteria and micro-organisms (protozoa). These types of organisms often cause infections in areas of the body such as the gums, the pelvic cavity, and the tummy (abdomen) because they do not need oxygen to grow and multiply. It is also prescribed before gynaecological surgery and surgery on the intestines, to prevent infection from developing. Tinidazole can be taken by people who are allergic to penicillin.

PRECAUTIONS: Before you start taking tinidazole it is important that your doctor knows: if you are pregnant or breast-feeding, if you drink a lot of alcohol, if you have a rare inherited blood disorder called porphyria, if you are taking or using any other medicines. This includes any medicines you are taking which are available to buy without a prescription, such as herbal and complementary medicines. Do not drink alcohol during and for 3 days after stopping treatment with these medicines. Inform your doctor if you are taking anticoagulants (medicines to thin the blood such as Warfarin). Using these medicines with anticoagulants can increase the chance of bleeding.

SIDE EFFECTS: Along with their useful effects, most medicines can cause unwanted side-effects although not everyone experiences them. Side may include feeling or being sick, stomach pain, diarrhea, headache, lack of appetite, spinning sensation, or itchy skin rash. Drinking alcoholic beverages together with these medicines may cause stomach pain, nausea, vomiting or flushing or redness of the face.

DRUG INTERACTIONS: Avoid the use of alcohol as it may cause adverse/toxic effects.

MISSED DOSE: Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. Skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next scheduled dose. Do not take extra medicine to make up the missed dose.

STORAGE: Store in a cool, dry place, away from direct heat and light