# Patient Information Sheet - Tetracaine Spray

This medicine was compounded specifically for you in a pharmacy in order to fill the prescription your doctor wrote for you. It was specifically made to meet your individual needs. For this reason, no standardized information or literature is available with your prescription. If you have not done so, please discuss this medicine with your doctor to ensure that you understand (1) why a compounded medication has been prescribed, (2) how to properly take this medication, and (3) the interactions, if any, this medicine may have with any other medicines you are taking.

Compounding is a long-standing pharmacy practice that allows doctors to treat their patients' individual needs without being restricted only to off-the-shelf medicines or devices. This medicine was prepared in a compounding pharmacy to meet the specifications ordered by your doctor.

Call your doctor if you experience any side effects, if you are taking additional medicines that may interact with this compounded medicine, or if you have allergies or other medical conditions that should be noted. Call our pharmacists if information on the label is not clear to you or you have any concerns regarding precautions, ingredients, or proper storage. Our pharmacists are available to address any additional questions or concerns.

**Medication:** This compound contains tetracaine, a topical anesthetic.

**Use:** This compound is typically used as a local anesthetic for the oral cavity and may be used in association with mouth or throat pain, GI endoscopies, dental therapies, or any conditions determined by your prescriber.

**Side Effects:** Side effects vary with extent of absorption. This medication may cause numbness, tingling, swelling, decreased sensation to heat/cold, and decreased muscle strength. For any persistent symptoms, irritation, dizziness, weakness, blurred vision, ringing of the ears, or respiratory discomfort please contact your prescriber.

**Precautions:** Monitor for hypersensitivity to tetracaine. Use as directed; excessive use can lead to increased absorption. Use on broken or inflamed skin may increase absorption.

**Dosage and Administration:** This medication is dispensed in a spray dosage form. Dosage strengths are typically 0.5% with instructions to use 2 to 3 sprays every 4 hours as needed. Shake well prior to use. Store away from children. Dosage strengths, directions, and formulations may vary per prescriber's instruction.

**Storage, Beyond Use Dating and Disposal:** The Beyond Use Date is a scientifically derived "expiration" date for each unique formulation. This medication typically has a Beyond Use Date of 90 days from the date compounded and should be stored at controlled room temperature ($68^0$-$77^0$F). Please refer to your medication label and auxiliary labels for specific storage requirements and beyond use dating. For information on medication destruction, please visit www.fda.gov and search how to dispose of unused medicines.


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