

SODIUM NITROPRUSSIDE MEDSURGE

(Sodium Nitroprusside)

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using sodium nitroprusside. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using sodium nitroprusside.**

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1. Why am I using Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge?

Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge contains the active ingredient Sodium nitroprusside. Sodium nitroprusside is known as a vasodilator. It works by widening blood vessels, which causes a decrease in blood pressure.

Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge is used in emergency situations to quickly lower very high blood pressure (also known as hypertensive crisis).

It can also be used during surgery to keep blood pressure low in order to reduce bleeding during the surgical procedure.

It may also be used in the short-term treatment of heart failure.

Your doctor may have prescribed Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge for another reason.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge has been prescribed for you.

Sodium nitroprusside is not addictive.

This medicine is available only with a doctor's prescription.

2. What should I know before I use Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge?

Warnings

Do not use Sodium nitroprusside if:

- **You must not be given Sodium Nitroprusside Medsurge if you have an allergy to sodium nitroprusside or cyanide.**

Symptoms of an allergic reaction to sodium nitroprusside may include: