

# CHLORPHENIRAMINE SYRUP

Chlorpheniramine maleate (4mg/5ml)

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## What *Chlorpheniramine* is used for

For treatment of long term and seasonal allergic symptoms of hay fever and other allergies.

## How *Chlorpheniramine* works

*Chlorpheniramine* can help to relieve symptoms of some allergies and itchy skin rashes. It can be used to treat the itchiness, redness, swelling, tenderness and irritation that can be caused by hay fever, hives, prickly heat, reactions to food/medicines, insect bites or chicken pox rashes.

## Before you use *Chlorpheniramine*

### - When you must not use it

- Do not take *Chlorpheniramine* if allergic to its active ingredient or to other ingredients in it.
- Do not take *Chlorpheniramine* if you are breastfeeding.
- Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

### - Before you start to use it

Inform the doctor or pharmacist if having

- raised pressure in eyes
- asthma
- kidney function impairment
- high blood pressure
- diabetes
- overactive thyroid gland

Safety for use in pregnancy and lactation has not been established. Get advice from a doctor or pharmacist.

### - Taking other medicines

- Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines that may increase the effects of either medications e.g.
- barbiturates (for sleeping difficulty)
  - tricyclic antidepressant (for depression)
  - narcotic analgesics (for pain relief)
  - monoamine oxidase inhibitors (for depression)
  - atropine (for stomach spasms)
- Also, including any medicine that you buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

## How to use *Chlorpheniramine*

### - How much to use

Adults: 1 teaspoonful three times daily.  
Children 6 – 12 years old: ½ - 1 teaspoonful three times daily. Children 2 – 5 years old: ½ teaspoonful three times daily. Follow all directions given by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

### - When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

### - How long to use it

Continue taking *Chlorpheniramine* for as long as your doctor recommends.

### - If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do if you forget to use it. Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

### - If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention. Clinical signs include severe drowsiness, unsteadiness, hallucinations (hear, smell, taste or feel things that do not exist), fits and breathing difficulty.

## While you are using *Chlorpheniramine*

### - Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.  
Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking *Chlorpheniramine*.  
Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.

### - Things you must not do

Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.  
Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor or pharmacist.  
Do not give *Chlorpheniramine* to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

### - Things to be careful of

Caution when driving or doing jobs requiring alertness because of possible drowsiness. Avoid alcoholic beverages.

## Side effects

Like all medicines, *Chlorpheniramine* can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Visit the doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

Drowsiness, dryness of mouth, nose and throat, gastrointestinal disturbances, and skin rash may occur.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835550, or visiting the website [npra.moh.gov.my](http://npra.moh.gov.my) (Public → Reporting Medicinal Problems / Side Effects / AEFI / Vaccine Safety).

## Storage and Disposal of *Chlorpheniramine*

### - Storage

Store upright in cool, dry place below 25°C. Protect from light.  
Keep out of reach and sight of children.

### - Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

## Product description

### - What it looks like

Red coloured, strawberry flavoured syrup.

### - Ingredients

- Active ingredient: chlorpheniramine maleate
- Inactive ingredients: liquid glucose, methyl parabens, propyl parabens, strawberry flavor, raspberry red, syrup and purified water

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## Manufacturer and Product Registration Holder

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