

Chloral Hydrate

Parent Information Sheet

Why it is prescribed

Chloral Hydrate is given for sedation before medical procedures and as a sleep aid.

How to give Chloral Hydrate

- Chloral Hydrate is prescribed only for use by the patient whose name appears on the prescription.
- Chloral Hydrate requires adult supervision. Your child should not be expected to remember to take the medication on his/her own. Give Chloral Hydrate exactly as your doctor has prescribed.
- Do not give Chloral Hydrate more often or in larger doses than what your doctor has ordered. If you have any questions or concerns about the current medication, call your doctor's office.

*The phone number to the office is (313)
832-1100 ext. 220*

Side Effects

The most common: confusion, dizziness, fever, headache, rash and stomach upset.

Procedure for getting a prescription

- If you require a prescription refill before your next scheduled appointment, please call the clinical services office at (313) 832-1100 ext. 220.
- Please have your pharmacy phone number available before calling for prescription refills.
- The Detroit Institute for Children is not open on weekends or holidays. The clinical services office is open from 8 am till 5pm Monday through Thursday and 8 am till 12 noon on Fridays.
- If you are overdue for a return appointment or have not kept a scheduled appointment, your child's doctor reserves the right not to prescribe the medication.

***Poison Control Center:
1-800-764-7661 (1-800-POISON-1)***