

Oral Syringe



Introduction:

An oral syringe is used to dispense liquid solutions and suspensions, and can be used to give almost any medication available as a capsule or tablet as an oral liquid. Oral syringes are also useful for gradually increasing or decreasing the dose of your medication, also called a taper.

- **Benefits of using an oral syringe to dispense your medication:**
 - Provides precise and accurate measurement of medications allowing for flexibility of dosing to meet your individual needs.
 - Liquid medications are easier to swallow and can be helpful in small children, pets, and people who have trouble swallowing capsules or pills.
- **Limitations of oral syringes:**
 - If you have difficulty reading small print, or seeing the lines on the syringe, or have limited hand dexterity, an oral syringe may not be the right device for you.
 - If you have any difficulty using your medication, please contact us.

Step-by-step Administration:

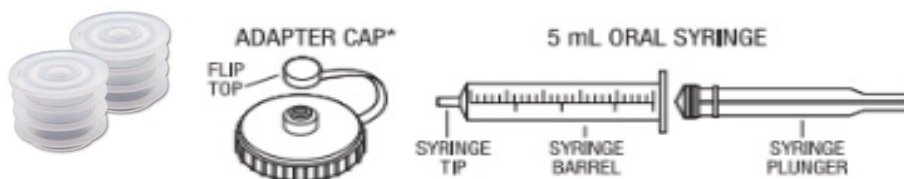
Before using this medication carefully review the instructions listed on your medication bottle. If you have any questions about the instructions or dose, or they look different from last month and you did not discuss a change with your provider, please contact us.

Reading the syringe:

Depending on the size of the syringe, the amount dispensed with each small line varies. Use the following chart to determine how much medication is dispensed with each small line:

Syringe Size	mL dispensed per line
1 mL	0.01
3 mL	0.1
5 mL	0.2
10 mL	0.2

Parts of a syringe: (two types of adapter caps)

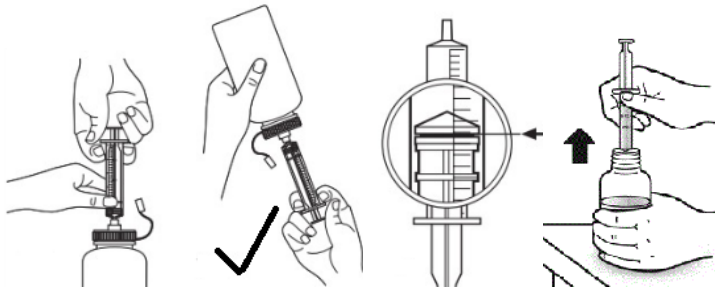


Use the following instructions to get the most benefit from your medications:

Drawing up medication with an oral syringe:

1. If instructed on your medication bottle, shake the medication well before each use.

2. Unscrew the cap located on the top of the prescription bottle. There will be a clear syringe adapter already inserted into the bottle or there will be a blue adapter cap sent with your prescription. Both have a small hole in the center meant to insert the syringe into.
3. If a blue adapter was sent with your medication, screw on the blue adapter.
4. Insert the tip of the syringe into the bottle adapter and press down until it is snug.
5. Invert the bottle so that the top of the bottle with attached syringe is facing downward.
6. Draw up the prescribed amount of medication into the syringe by pulling back the plunger so that the black or grey line aligns with the medication dose.
7. Turn bottle upright, and remove syringe by pulling up on the barrel.



Administering medication with the oral syringe:

1. Visually inspect your syringe, and make sure the amount of medication that you have drawn up matches the prescribed dose.
2. Aim the tip of the syringe into the mouth and depress the barrel.
3. To wash the syringe separate the plunger from the barrel and wash with warm water. Allow it to dry completely before the next dose.
4. Replace the cap on the medication bottle and store upright, as instructed.

Helpful Hints:

- Do not use medication that is past its beyond use date.
- Remember to check the storage requirements of your medication. Many oral preparations need to be refrigerated.
- If no special storage requirements are listed store your medication in a cool, dry area, away from sunlight that is secure and out of reach of pets and small children.
- Inspect the bottle each time to make sure there is no clumping or settling of medication at the bottom of the bottle, and that it looks and smells the same as the last dose.
- For more information and videos on how to apply your medications and the devices used to measure your medication, please visit our website at <http://www.pharmacyolutionsonline.com>.

Please contact Pharmacy Solutions at 734-821-8000 or toll free at 877-797-6567 with any questions, concerns, or for prescription refills.