

## Taking your MoviPrep

- 3. You may flavour the MoviPrep with squash if you wish.
- 4. Bowel prep can be stored in the refrigerator for up to 24 hours, it should then be discarded.
- 5. Drink one glassful (½ pint or 250mls) of MoviPrep about every fifteen minutes until you have drunk it all. Drink it over 1-2 hours.
- 6. It is important that you drink an additional 500mls of permitted fluids after <u>each</u> litre of MoviPrep. (see list of permitted fluids)
- 7. Make up and take the next sachets in the same way.
- 8. After drinking MoviPrep you will have lots of watery bowel movements so stay near a toilet.
- 9. The effects of the bowel prep may give you a sore bottom, to help prevent this use a barrier cream such as Sudocrem, zinc and castor oil, or any type of nappy cream. Apply the cream to the appropriate area, before starting the bowel prep. Use moist toilet/ baby wipes to clean with. These can also be stored in the fridge to provide a soothing effect if soreness occurs.

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Like all medicines, MoviPrep can have side effects, although not everybody gets them.

When taking MoviPrep, feeling sick, a feeling of fullness in your stomach, bloating and wind may all be experienced. You may also experience abdominal cramps, vomiting or soreness of the anus (bottom). If you get a feeling of nausea (feeling sick) swelling of the stomach or stomach pain, or you start to vomit, you should drink Moviprep more slowly or stop drinking it for a few minutes until you feel better.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Do not take any other medicine by mouth within one hour of taking MoviPrep, as it will probably be flushed out before it has time to work.

## Other side effects include:

People can be allergic to MoviPrep, and may get an itchy skin rash (nettle rash or

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If any of the side effects become serious, contact the Gemini Endoscopy Suite on **01271 349180** or ring your GP for advice. Outside of normal working hours, when your GP surgery is closed, **call 111**; **only call 999 in an emergency**.

On the day of your examination continue to drink clear fluids until 2 hours prior to your colonoscopy. For those 2 hours it is necessary to remain **nil by mouth** until after your procedure.

If you have any queries or concerns about your colonoscopy, please do not hesitate to contact the Gemini Endoscopy Suite.

## **PALS**

The Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) ensures that the NHS listens to patients, relatives, carers and friends, answers questions and resolves concerns as quickly as possible. If you have a query or concern call 01271 314090 or e-mail ndht.pals@nhs.net. You can also visit the PALS and Information Centre in person at North Devon District Hospital, Barnstaple.

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