

Patient Education CARE AND TREATMENT

How to Use Nasal Sprays

Use this medicine only as directed by your health care provider. *Check the label on the medicine for exact dosing instructions.* Do not use more than directed. Doing so may increase the chance of side effects.

To Use the Spray

If you have questions, ask

your health care

provider.

2. Shake the bottle of nasal spray.

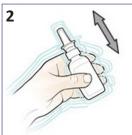
1. Blow your nose so that your

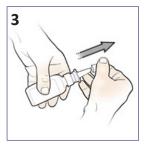
nostrils are clear.

3. Take the lid off the bottle.

 Tilt your head slightly forward. Use your *left hand* for spraying into your *right nostril*. Aim the spray nozzle away from the middle of your nose to avoid irritation.

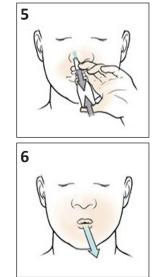








- 5. Gently inhale through your nose as you spray. This will help the medicine get into your sinuses and not drip down the back of your throat. *Do not sniff hard* as this will move more medicine to the back of your throat where it will not be as effective
- **6.** Exhale through your mouth. (Repeat a second dose in the same nostril if required.)



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- 7. Repeat the same procedure on the other side. Use your *right hand* to spray into your *left nostril*.
- 8. When you are finished, clean the nozzle and replace the lid.

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