Doxycycline

You are being given this medicine because you may have been exposed to Anthrax. You will need to take this medicine for 60 days. You will be told how to get more medicine if it is needed.

**Dosing Information**

- Take the medicine every 12 hours or as directed.
- For 2 hours before and 2 hours after taking this medicine, do not take antacids or milk products or juices with added calcium. Antacids such as Tums, Rolaids or milk of magnesia, and milk products like milk, cheese or yogurt, and calcium can lessen how well the medicine works.
- Take the medicine with a full glass of water and eat some food so the medicine will not irritate your stomach.
- If you miss a dose, take the missed dose right away. If it is almost time to take your next dose, wait until then to take your medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take two doses at the same time.
- You must keep taking your medicine for the full 60 days. You may become ill if you do not finish all your medicine.

**Side Effects**

- This medicine can cause upset stomach, vomiting, or diarrhea, but **you need to keep taking this medicine if any of these occur**. This medicine can make it easier to get a sunburn on your skin. Wear sunscreen.
- **Call your doctor right away** if you have:
  - shortness of breath
  - trouble breathing
  - swelling of the face, lips, tongue or throat

**Interactions**

- Birth control medicine may not work as well when you take Doxycycline. Use condoms for birth control when taking Doxycycline.
- If you take warfarin (Coumadin), digoxin, Accutane, lithium, insulin, methotrexate, barbiturates, phenytoin (Dilantin), carbamazepine (Tegretol), or rifampin, **call 211 or call your doctor to tell them that you are taking Doxycycline**. These medicines can cause problems if taken while taking Doxycycline.
- Do not use any herbs, especially St. John’s Wort and Dong Quai while taking this medicine.
因您可能有炭疽病接觸史，因此向您提供本藥物。您需要服用本藥物60天。有關人員會向您說明在必要時如何獲取更多本藥物。

劑量資訊
- 每12小時服用一次，或遵醫囑。
- 服藥前2小時和服藥後2小時，切勿服用制酸劑或牛奶製品或加鈣的果汁。制酸劑（例如Tums、Rolaids或鎂乳）和牛奶、乳酪或優格等奶製品會降低藥效。
- 用一整杯水和一些食物送服本藥，以免刺激胃部。
- 如果漏服，須立即補服。如發現漏服時已經快到下次服藥時間，則按時服用下一劑藥物，毋須補服。切勿一次服用兩倍的劑量。
- 必須服滿60天。如果不服完全部藥物，可能會發病。

副作用
- 本藥物可能導致胃不適、嘔吐或腹瀉，但是即使出現任何此類副作用，亦須繼續服藥。本藥可能導致皮膚容易被陽光灼傷。使用防曬霜。
- 如出現以下情況，立即打電話給醫生：
  - 呼吸急促
  - 呼吸困難
  - 面部、嘴唇、舌頭或喉嚨腫脹

相互作用
- Doxycycline可能降低避孕藥的作用。服用Doxycycline，使用保險套避孕。
- 如果您正在服用warfarin（Coumadin）、digoxin、Accutane、lithium、胰島素、methotrexate、barbiturates、phenytoin（Dilantin）、carbamazepine（Tegretol）或rifampin，請打電話211或打電話給醫生，說明您正在服用Doxycycline。這些藥物如果與Doxycycline同時使用，可能會出現問題。
- 服本藥期間，切勿使用草藥，特別是貫葉連翹（St. John’s Wort）和當歸。