Treatment & medication

Aprepitant

Other name: Emend®.

What is it and how does it work?

A medicine that is given to prevent and/ or to treat nausea and vomiting caused by chemotherapy and radiotherapy.

What does it look like and how is it given?

A capsule or solution that is taken by mouth (oral).

Short-term side effects (within 24 hours)

- Headache
- Hiccups

Long-term side effects

- Fatigue
- Stomach complaints
- Decreased appetite
- Constipation
- Elevated liver test results

Special instructions

 If your child vomits within 30 minutes after taking the medicine, please check prinsesmaximacentrum.nl/regimens under the heading 'Medicine' to see what you should do.

- Have your child take the capsule or solution (swallow in one go, do not chew) at least one hour before the start of the chemotherapy.
- Keep an eye on your child's stool.

Specifics

It might be necessary to adjust your child's diet or to administer a laxative.

This card lists the most common side effects and specifics of this medicine. If you want a complete list, please ask the doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.