### **Busulfan**

Other names: Myleran<sup>®</sup>, Busilvex<sup>®</sup>.

### What is it and how does it work?

A medicine that inhibits cell division (cytostatic drug).

# What does it look like and how is it given?

A clear liquid that is administered as an infusion into a vein (intravenous).

# Short-term side effects (within 24 hours)

- Nausea and vomiting
- Epileptic seizures

#### Long-term side effects

- Decrease in the number of white blood cells and platelets (7 to 14 days after administration)
- Dry skin
- Diarrhea

#### **Special instructions**

- During busulfan treatment your child will receive anti-seizure medication.
- The skin is more sensitive to sunburn. Avoid the sun and use sunscreen with a high sun protection factor (SPF).

• The concentration of busulfan in the blood will be measured on the first and last day of administration, and possibly in between too.

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.