New medicine:
Calcium carbonate

Brand names:
Tums®, Oysco®

Uses:
- Help with bone growth and good health
- Delays and treats softening of bones or brittle bones (osteoporosis)
- Lower high phosphate levels
- Treat heartburn and upset stomach
- Stops and treats low calcium levels

Potential side effects:
- Belly pain or upset stomach
- Throwing up
- Hard stools or constipation

All medicines have the potential to produce effects other than the intended use of the medicine. The chance of experiencing a side effect depends on the medicine, how it is used, what other medicines a person is taking, and individual traits such as age, weight, and other diseases. Some people have no side effects, some mild, some severe.

If you experience any of these side effects, tell your doctor or nurse right away.

Please speak up at any time if you have any questions or concerns.