Medicine Safety and You
Etomidate or Amidate®

New medicine:
Etomidate

Brand names:
Amidate®

Use:
- Used to put you to sleep for surgery

Potential side effects:
- Feeling lightheaded
- Sleepy
- Upset stomach
- Irritation where the shot is given

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.

Speak up at any time if you have any questions or concerns.