Medicine Safety and You
Finasteride or Proscar®

New medicine:
Finasteride

Brand names:
Proscar®, Propecia®

Use (circle one):
Treat signs of an enlarged prostate
Help hair growth in male pattern baldness
Stop prostate cancer

Potential side effects:
Change in sexual ability

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.