Medicine Safety and You
Fentanyl or Duragesic®

New medicine:
Fentanyl

Brand name:
Duragesic®

Use:
Relieves pain

Potential side effects:
- Difficulty breathing
- Feeling light-head or dizziness
- Sleepy or trouble thinking clearly
- Blurred vision
- Nausea, vomiting, 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.

Important information: Do not drive or perform tasks until you know how this medication affects you. ** This medication comes in the form of a patch, cheek film, cheek tablet, lozenge, and IV injection. ** Having a warmer body temperature due to recent shower, sun tanning, or fever may speed up absorption of the medication from a skin patch. ** After you remove the skin patch fold the sides together before throwing away. ** Do not share this medication with anyone else.

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