Medicine Safety and You

Captopril or Capoten®

New medicine:
Captopril

Brand name:
Capoten®

Use (circle one):
- High blood pressure
- Heart failure
- After a heart attack
- Protects kidneys in patients with diabetes

Potential side effects:
Low blood pressure, rash, high blood potassium levels, abnormal taste, cough.

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:
Your potassium level in the blood will need to be monitored while on this medication.

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