**Medicine Safety and You**
**Gentamicin or Gentak®**

**New medicine:**
Gentamicin

**Brand name:**
Gentak®

**Use:**
Antibiotic that treats bacterial infection

**Potential side effects**
- Eye irritation
- Skin irritation
- Change in kidney function
- Hearing changes

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:**
This medication is available for the eyes, topically for the skin, and IV. Do not take this medication by mouth. If applying to the eye or skin, wash hands before each use. Tell your doctor if you have kidney disease or hearing loss as this medication may worsen those conditions.

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