

Excelencia en Salud al servicio de la comunidad

What can be done to control the most common side effects?

Nausea and vomiting:

- ▶ Avoid large meals. If possible, eat several light meals through the day.
- ▶ Try to drink liquid one hour before or after the food.
- Eat and drink slowly.
- ▶ Avoid very sweet, fried or greasy food.
- ullet Eat your food cold or at room temperatura so that strong odors do not bother.
- If symptoms occur frequently in the morning, try eating dry food such as cereal, toast, or cookies (if your mouth or throat is sore, dont do this).
- Avoid lying down within the next 2 hours after eating.
- ▶ Breath deeply and slowly when you feel nauseous.
- Take vomiting medication as indicated.

Alteration in the food taste perception:

- ▶ Prepare well presented meals.
- ▶ Rinse or mouthwash before eating.
- ▶ If you notice metallic taste, replace the usual cutlery with plastic ones.
- Drink mint or lemon infusions to neutralize the metallic taste
- ✓ Use spices or mold seasonings in the preparation of meals, to reduce the sensation of unpleasant flavors.
- Prefer cold food.

Alteration of the mucosa (skin) of the mouth:



- Have your meals at a room temperatura or cold. Hot or warm food can irritate a sensitive mouth and throat.
- Drink liquids in small sips through the day to keep the mought moist.



- ▼ Eat ice chips or popsicles.
- Chew sugar free gum.
- Moisten dry meat meat and side dishes with casseroles and sauces.
- Soak dry food in soups, broths or juice.
- ► Avoid hard, toasted or crunchy food.
- **Eat soft textured food such as** ground meat, pureed vegetables and compote fruits; preparations such as blended soups with meat or chicken with vegetables and potatoes; desserts such as ice cream, pudding, milkshakes and fruit. Smoothies.





- Avoid sour food and drinks.