

# **Oxycodone**

Other names: Oxycontin®, Oxynorm®.

# What is it and how does it work?

An opioid, a strong drug, that is given to treat pain.

# What does it look like and how is it given?

A tablet, capsule or solution that is taken by mouth (oral).

#### Side effects

- Constipation
- Gastrointestinal complaints, such as nausea and vomiting
- Itching
- Dry mouth
- Drowsiness, sleepiness, dizziness
- Reduced responsiveness, concentration and coordination

## **Special instructions**

- If your child vomits within 30 minutes after taking the medicine, please check prinsesmaximacentrum.nl/regimens under the heading 'Medicine' to see what you should do.
- It is important that this medicine is taken according to the schedule.

### **Specifics**

- This medicine is often combined with another painkiller, such as acetaminophen.
- Your child will be given a fast-acting pain-killer for breakthrough pain (pain that occurs suddenly, despite the maintenance medication).
- It may be necessary to adjust your child's diet, or to administer a laxative.

This card lists the most common side effects and specifics of this medicine. If you want a complete list, please ask the doctor, nurse, or pharmacist