

## Patient information: Tranexamic Acid Mouthwash 5%



## What it is used for

Tranexamic Acid Mouthwash is used AFTER surgery to stop active bleeding from surgical wounds, ie. tooth extraction.

This mouthwash is used for patients who take blood thinning medications such as warfarin. These patients are at risk of bleeding for too long, as warfarin and some other medications prevent the natural clotting process.

Using this mouthwash will allow you to continue to take your normal dose of blood thinning medication.



## How much to take

Measure 10mL of mouthwash, using the measure provided, and hold in your mouth for two minutes. Repeat this FOUR times each day for two to five days as directed. Gently drain the mouthwash from your mouth, taking care not to forcibly spit. **Do not swallow.** 

After using the mouthwash, refrain from eating for one hour. If you are still experiencing bleeding after using the mouthwash, you can also soak a piece of gauze with the solution and hold it to the wound with pressure to help promote clotting.

## When to seek help

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If after following these instructions you still have significant bleeding, it is important to contact your dental professional, doctor or pharmacist.

For significant bleeding, please call The Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne.



Outside Melbourne Metro call: 1800 833 039

Reduce your waiting time - call first to make an appointment.



Monday to Friday: 8am to 8.30pm Weekends and public holidays: 8.30am to 8pm

Emergency dental care is available at these times:Monday to Friday:8.15am to 9.30pmWeekends and public holidays:8.45am to 9.30pm

Outside of the above times, please contact the emergency department of a hospital near you.





Reference Oral and Dental Expert Group. Therapeutic guidelines: Oral and Dental. Etg46 November 2015 Copyright 2016 HealthSmart Pharmacy Carlton