# NEWLIFE FERTILITY PATIENT MEDICATION INFORMATION



## Progesterone

**Generic Name:** Progesterone Capsules (pro-JES-ter-one)

**Brand Name: Prometrium** 

#### Progesterone is used for:

Protecting the lining of the uterus in certain women who are also taking estrogen. It is used to treat certain women who have do not have a menstrual period because of decreased progesterone in the body. It may also be used for other conditions as determined by your doctor.

Progesterone is a hormone. It works by changing the lining of the uterus.

### Do NOT use Progesterone if:

- you are allergic to any ingredient in Progesterone or to peanuts
- you have a history of cancer of the breast, ovary, lining of the uterus, cervix, or vagina; vaginal bleeding of unknown cause; blood clots or clotting problems; or liver disease; you have had a recent miscarriage; or you have had a stroke or heart attack within the past year

#### **Before using Progesterone:**

Some medical conditions may interact with Progesterone. Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you have any medical conditions, especially if any of the following apply to you:

Some MEDICINES MAY INTERACT with Progesterone. Tell your health care provider if you are taking any other medicines, especially any of the following:

Ask your health care provider if Progesterone may interact with other medicines that you take. Check with your health care provider before you start, stop, or change the dose of any medicine.

#### How to use Progesterone:

Use Progesterone as directed by your doctor. Ask your health care provider any questions you may have about how to use Progesterone.

## Important safety information:

- Progesterone may cause drowsiness, dizziness, blurred vision, or lightheadedness. These effects may be worse if you take it with alcohol or certain medicines. Use Progesterone with caution. Do not drive or perform other possibly unsafe tasks until you know how you react to it.
- Progesterone may interfere with certain lab tests. Be sure your doctor and lab personnel know you are taking Progesterone.
- Lab tests, including monthly breast self-exams, yearly breast exams, Pap smears, and pelvic exams, may be performed while you use Progesterone. These tests may be used to monitor your condition or check for side effects. Be sure to keep all doctor and lab appointments.
- Progesterone should not be used in CHILDREN; safety and effectiveness in children have not been confirmed.

## Possible side effects of Progesterone:

All medicines may cause side effects, but many people have no, or minor, side effects. Check with your doctor if any of these most COMMON side effects persist or become bothersome:

Bloating; breast tenderness; diarrhea; dizziness; drowsiness; dry mouth; fluid retention; headache; heartburn; irritability; muscle pain; nausea; stomach pain or cramping; tiredness; vomiting.

Seek medical attention right away if any of these SEVERE side effects occur:

Severe allergic reactions (rash; hives; itching; difficulty breathing; tightness in the chest; swelling of the mouth, face, lips, or tongue); abnormal vaginal bleeding; bulging eyes; coughing up blood; dark urine; double vision; fainting; gallstones; mental or mood changes (eg, depression or worry); migraine; numbness of an arm or leg; pain or lumps in the breast; one-sided weakness; pounding in the chest; seizures or tremors; severe stomach pain; speech problems; stomach pain, swelling, or tenderness; sudden, severe chest pain or numbness; sudden, severe headache; sudden, severe vomiting, dizziness, or fainting; sudden sharp pain or swelling in the calf or leg; sudden shortness of breath; swelling of the ankles or fingers; vision problems or changes (including sudden, partial, or full loss of vision); yellowing of the eyes or skin.

#### **Proper storage of Progesterone:**

Store away from heat, moisture, and light. Do not store in the bathroom. Keep Progesterone out of the reach of children and away from pets.

#### General information:

- If you have any questions about Progesterone, please talk with your doctor, pharmacist, or other health care provider.
- Progesterone is to be used only by the patient for whom it is prescribed. Do not share it with other people.
- If your symptoms do not improve or if they become worse, check with your doctor.

This information is a summary only. It does not contain all information about Progesterone . If you have questions about the medicine you are taking or would like more information, check with your doctor, pharmacist, or other health care provider.