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Customized Just for You

As part of your personalized treatment plan, your physician has prescribed a compounded medication to help manage your **skin ailment**. Compounding is the process of preparing customized medications by combining, mixing, or altering ingredients to meet the unique needs of individual patients.

These medications often include a combination of two or more active ingredients and are typically formulated as topical creams, gels, or ointments. Compounded medications are especially beneficial for patients who have allergies or sensitivities to certain dyes, preservatives, or other components found in commercially available drugs. They may also be prescribed when an FDA-approved medication is not suitable or available for a patient's specific medical condition.

At Levin's Drugs, we combine cutting-edge research with the art of compounding to create custom-tailored medications designed specifically for your individual needs.

Using your compounded medication is as easy as 1-2-3

1. Test your pump

- Before first use, ensure the pump is functioning properly.
- Remove the over-cap and orifice plug, then press the pump until medication is dispensed.
- It may take several pumps to prime the nozzle—this is normal, as the medication may settle during transport.

2. Know your dose

- Read the dosing instructions on the prescription label.
- Each full press of the pump dispenses approximately 1 gram of medication.
- **If your dose calls for a pea-sized amount:** We recommend slowly dispensing the medication onto a Q-tip, then using the Q-tip to gently apply it to the affected area for better control and accuracy. Use the clean end of the Q-tip to gently remove any excess medication, ensuring only the prescribed amount remains on the skin.

3. Be cautious with sun exposure

- Gently wash the medication off the treated area using your usual cleanser and water.
- **If the treated area may be exposed to sunlight, apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher.** Each sunscreen has specific instructions for application and reapplication – be sure to read the label carefully. For example, some sunscreens recommend reapplying every 90 minutes, while others suggest reapplication every two hours. Additionally, the SPF protection listed on a sunscreen bottle depends on applying the correct amount. Some sunscreens specifically instruct users to apply liberally – this level of application is what ensures the full SPF protection indicated on the label.

Use this medication exactly as prescribed by your doctor, including the specified dose and frequency.

Applying more or less than directed may affect the effectiveness of your treatment. If you have any questions about your dosing instructions or how to properly dispense and apply the medication, please don't hesitate to contact us at the pharmacy at (718) 459-1500. Your health and wellness are our top priority.