## **BORIC ACID COMPOUND**

### What is this medicine?

Boric Acid (BAW-rik a-suhd)

- Boric Acid has antiseptic, antifungal and antiviral properties.
- It may be used to treat certain vaginal infections such as bacterial vaginosis and candidiasis.
- It may also be used for other conditions as determined by your doctor.

# Compounded Drug Forms: capsule, suppository, cream

# What should I tell my health care provider before I take this medicine?

- Allergy to boric acid
- Pregnant or may become pregnant. Use may be contraindicated.
- Breastfeeding

#### How should I use this medicine?

Follow the package directions provided by Belmar Pharma Solutions and by your prescriber. Your dosage is based on your medical condition and response to therapy. Follow the dosing schedule provided carefully.

### BORIC ACID SHOULD NEVER BE TAKEN BY MOUTH.

Vaginal preparations should be inserted using your finger or the applicator provided. Suppositories may leak and may be more convenient to use at bedtime.

### What if I miss a dose?

- If you miss a dose, take it as soon as possible.
- If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and continue with your regular dosing schedule.
- Do not take double the dose at once.

# What should I watch for while using this medicine?

Belmar Pharma Solutions recommends yearly checkups with your provider.

# What side effects may I notice from receiving this medicine?

Possible side effects that may occur and may go away as your body gets used to the medication include:

- Vaginal burning, erythema, or discomfort
- Watery discharge

#### Serious Side Effects:

Contact your doctor immediately or seek medical attention if you experience:

- New or worsening symptoms
- Severe vaginal burning or discomfort
- High fever
- Symptoms that go away and then return

You may experience side effects not listed. Contact your doctor with questions.

An allergic reaction to this medication is unlikely but seek medical attention if it occurs. Symptoms of an allergic reaction include rash, itching, swelling, severe dizziness, trouble breathing.

**Contraindications:** Intravaginal boric acid use during the first 4 months of pregnancy has been associated with birth defects.

## Where should I keep my medicine?

Store at room temperature between 59 and 86 degrees F, unless otherwise specified on the packaging.

## Additional Information:

- Do not share this medication with others.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets.
- If an overdose is suspected contact your local poison control center at 1-800-222-1222 or go to the nearest emergency room.

If you have any questions concerning this or any of your medications, a pharmacist is available during normal business hours to answer your questions. You may report side effects to the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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Do not flush down a toilet or pour down a drain. Check with your pharmacist if you have questions about the best way to dispose of medications. There may be a drug take-back program in your area.

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