

## Oxynorm

- An opioid analgesia used for moderate to severe pain and good for post tonsillectomy pain.
- Some side effects include nausea, vomiting, constipation, drowsiness and sedation.
- The most serious side effect is a slowing of the breathing (respiratory depression) and potentially life threatening.
- Don't give more than the recommended dose and ALWAYS read the label before measuring the dose.
- Use in conjunction with panadol/paracetamol.

Because of the above drug facts, I ask parents to sign against important points on this sheet to indicate they have read them and understand them.

With oxynorm use do not exceed the recommended dose (volume) prescribed on the bottle. Sign.....

With oxynorm do not shorten the time between doses to less than that prescribed on the bottle, usually this is set at 6 hours between doses.  
Sign.....

**Do not** give oxynorm to a drowsy child or a child showing signs of slow or poor breathing. Sign.....

**Do not** use painstop with oxynorm. Sign.....

Parents Name.....Date.....

When oxynorm is used correctly I believe it has good benefits and is superior to other options available. Please ask before leaving the hospital if unclear on the correct dosing.