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INFORMATION SHEET
for The Use Of TEGRETOL (Carbamazepine)

Indications:

TEGRETOL is approved by FDA for treatment of :

- Seizures
- Trigeminal neuralgia
- Bipolar disorder
- Migraine prophylaxis (in children)

Side Effects:

TEGRETOL in some instances may cause SERIOUS side effects such as:

- Allergic reaction, severe toxic skin rash (potentially life-threatening)
- Bone marrow suppression (anemia, low red cell, white cell, and platelet counts)
- Low serum sodium concentration
- Liver failure, Pancreatitis
- Arrhythmia (irregular heart beat)
- Worsening of certain types of seizures

There are COMMON reactions, which are usually reversible or transient, reported by the TEGRETOL' users such as:

- Dizziness, drowsiness, unsteadiness, incoordination
- Nausea, vomiting
- Blurred vision, nystagmus
- Weakness, fatigue

Note: grapefruit juice should be avoided as it will increase the risk of toxicity.

I understand that nutrient supplementation with calcium, vitamin D, and folic acid is essential.