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Generic name: [Phenylephrine/Pyrilamine/Dextromethorphan Syrup](#) [*fen-ill-EF-rin/peer-IL-ah- meen-/dex- troe-meth-OR-fan*]

Brand names: Codimal DM, Codituss DM

Drug class: [Upper respiratory combinations](#)

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Uses of Codimal DM:

- It is used to treat nose stuffiness.
- It is used to ease [allergy](#) signs.
- It is used to relieve coughing.

What do I need to tell my doctor BEFORE I take Codimal DM?

- If you have an allergy to [phenylephrine](#), pyrilamine, [dextromethorphan](#), or any other part of Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup).
- If you are allergic to Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup); any part of Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup); or any other drugs, foods, or substances. Tell your doctor about the allergy and what signs you had.
- If you have taken certain drugs for [depression](#) or [Parkinson's disease](#) in the last 14 days. This includes [isocarboxazid](#), [phenelzine](#), [tranylcypromine](#), [selegiline](#), or [rasagiline](#). Very [high blood pressure](#) may happen.
- If you have a [cough](#) with a lot of mucus.
- If you have a long-term cough caused by [smoking](#) or being around smoke, or lung problems like [asthma](#) or [emphysema](#).

This is not a list of all drugs or health problems that interact with Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup).

Tell your doctor and pharmacist about all of your drugs (prescription or OTC, natural products, [vitamins](#)) and health problems. You must check to make sure that it is safe for you to take Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) with all of your drugs and health problems. Do not start, stop, or change the dose of any drug without checking with your doctor.

What are some things I need to know or do while I take Codimal DM?

- Tell all of your health care providers that you take Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup). This includes your doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and dentists.
- Do not take more than what your doctor told you to take. Taking more than you are told may raise your chance of very bad side effects.
- Do not take Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) for longer than you were told by your doctor.
- Avoid driving and doing other tasks or actions that call for you to be [alert](#) until you see how Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) affects you.
- Avoid drinking alcohol while taking Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup).
- Talk with your doctor before you use other drugs and natural products that slow your actions.
- Use with care in children. Talk with the doctor.
- Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or plan on getting pregnant. You will need to talk about the benefits and risks of using Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) while you are pregnant.
- Tell your doctor if you are breast-feeding. You will need to talk about any risks to your baby.

How is this medicine (Codimal DM) best taken?

Use Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) as ordered by your doctor. Read all information given to you. Follow all instructions closely.

- Take with or without food. Take with food if it causes an [upset stomach](#).
- Measure liquid doses carefully. Use the measuring device that comes with Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup). If there is none, ask the pharmacist for a device to measure Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup).

What do I do if I miss a dose?

- If you take Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) on a regular basis, take a missed dose as soon as you think about it.
- If it is close to the time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your normal time.
- Do not take 2 doses at the same time or extra doses.
- Many times Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup) is taken on an as needed basis. Do not take more often than told by the doctor.

i [Detailed Codimal DM dosage information](#)

What are some side effects that I need to call my doctor about right away?

WARNING/CAUTION: Even though it may be rare, some people may have very bad and sometimes deadly side effects when taking a drug. Tell your doctor or get medical help right away if you have any of the following signs or symptoms that may be related to a very bad side effect:

- Signs of an allergic reaction, like rash; hives; [itching](#); red, swollen, blistered, or peeling skin with or without fever; [wheezing](#); tightness in the chest or throat; trouble breathing, swallowing, or talking; unusual hoarseness; or swelling

of the mouth, face, lips, tongue, or throat.

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What are some other side effects of Codimal DM?

All drugs may cause side effects. However, many people have no side effects or only have minor side effects. Call your doctor or get medical help if any of these side effects or any other side effects bother you or do not go away:

- Dizziness.
- Feeling nervous and excitable.
- Not able to sleep.
- Feeling sleepy.

These are not all of the side effects that may occur. If you have questions about side effects, call your doctor. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects.

You may report side effects to the FDA at 1-800-332-1088. You may also report side effects at <https://www.fda.gov/medwatch>.

If OVERDOSE is suspected:

If you think there has been an overdose, call your poison control center or get medical care right away. Be ready to tell or show what was taken, how much, and when it happened.

How do I store and/or throw out Codimal DM?

- Store at room temperature.
- Store in a dry place. Do not store in a bathroom.
- Keep all drugs in a safe place. Keep all drugs out of the reach of children and pets.
- Throw away unused or expired drugs. Do not flush down a toilet or pour down a drain unless you are told to do so. Check with your pharmacist if you have questions about the best way to throw out drugs. There may be drug take-back programs in your area.

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- If your symptoms or health problems do not get better or if they become worse, call your doctor.
- Do not share your drugs with others and do not take anyone else's drugs.
- Some drugs may have another patient information leaflet. Check with your pharmacist. If you have any questions about Codimal DM (phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan syrup), please talk with your doctor, nurse, pharmacist, or other health care provider.
- If you think there has been an overdose, call your poison control center or get medical care right away. Be ready to tell or show what was taken, how much, and when it happened.

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CSA Schedule*
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