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**PRESCRIPTION NAME: Clindamycin 1% Lotion (Clindamycin phosphate 1%, niacinamide 4%)**

**COMMON USES:** This cream is used to treat acne and pimples on skin.

**BEFORE USING THIS MEDICATION:** Tell your provider if you have an allergy to lincomycin, clindamycin, niacinamide or any other part of this drug. Tell your provider about the allergy and what symptoms you had (rash, hives, itching, shortness of breath, wheezing, cough, swelling of face, lips, tongue or throat or any other signs).

**WHAT DOES THIS MEDICATION DO?:** Clindamycin is an antibiotic used to kill the bacteria prone to causing acne. Niacinamide reduces the redness and discomfort of inflamed pimples.

**HOW TO APPLY THIS MEDICATION:** Use this medication as instructed by your provider. Cleanse skin prior to application of cream and pat dry skin. Shake lotion bottle well prior to use. Apply a thin layer of lotion on the affected areas of skin twice a day, or as directed by your provider.

**COMMON SIDE EFFECTS:** May experience burning, itching dryness, redness with use of this medication. Keep out of your mouth, nose, and eyes (may burn). Use of other skin products while using this medication may cause more irritation.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

- Advised your provider of all medication you are taking to avoid any reactions.
- If you have an allergy to clindamycin, niacinamide or other part of this medication, tell your provider.
- If you have a history of C diff-associated diarrhea, inform your provider
- May take 4-6 weeks to see optimal results.
- Stop application if you become pregnant or are breastfeeding.
- Do not swallow this medication. If swallowed call provider or poison control center immediately.

**SERIOUS SIDE EFFECTS:** Even though it may be rare, some patients may have very bad and sometimes serious side effects when taking a medication. A severe form of diarrhea called C diff-associated diarrhea (CDAD) may rarely occur with the topical use of clindamycin. Notify your provider right away if you have stomach pain or cramps, very loose or watery stools, or bloody stools. Do not try to treat diarrhea without first checking with your provider. Tell your provider if you have any of the following signs or symptoms of an allergic reaction such as a rash, hives, swelling, blistering, wheezing, tightness in the chest or throat, trouble breathing or swallowing, unusual hoarseness, swelling of the mouth, face, lips, tongue, or throat.

If any skin reactions happen, let your provider know. If you have any questions, please call our office at 412-429-2570.