PARACETAMOL + CODEINE 30mg (para-ceet-a-mol + co-dean) **PARACETAMOL + CODEINE 15mg** Active **PARACETAMOL + CODEINE 8mg** ingredients (generic names) What it is • Pain relief — moderate to strong acute pain used for ► May be in combination with other pain medicines How it • 2 different medicines working together in works brain and nerve endings to lessen pain Side effects Sleepy Breathing Vomiting Constipation trouble — may be slow



Warnings







Breathing trouble

Kidney trouble

Liver trouble



Children under 12 years

Medical consult if needed for more than 7 days

- Taking more than 6 slow-release or 8 regular tablets containing paracetamol in one day can damage your liver
 - ► If taking paracetamol-codeine for pain make sure there is no paracetamol in other medicines you are taking (eg cold medicines, osteoarthritis medicines)
- Medicine causes constipation, may need laxatives with long term use

Tell the patient



Do not drive or operate

Drink lots of water — helps stop constipation



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more than a short time

(medicine increases the effects)

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Check

- Do the person's other medicines contain paracetamol
- Remember to sign the drug register
- If also taking warfarin monitor INR and decrease warfarin dose if needed