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PRESCRIPTION NAME: Acne Wash (Salicylic acid 5%, sulfacetamide sodium monohydrate 10%)

**COMMON USES:** This wash is used to treat acne, rosacea, seborrheic dermatitis (itchy flaky scalp/face).

**BEFORE USING THIS MEDICATION:** Tell your provider if you have an allergy to sulfur, sulfacetamide, salicylic acid, 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?:** This medication contains two active ingredients (salicylic acid, sulfacetamide sodium monohydrate) that reduces the redness, scaling, pimples associated with acne, rosacea, seborrheic dermatitis.

**HOW TO USE THIS MEDICATION:** Use this medication as instructed by your provider. Shake bottle well prior to use. Wash affected area of skin as directed by your provider and pat dry.

**COMMON SIDE EFFECTS:** May experience itching, dry skin irritation at treatment areas 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 sulfur, sulfacetamide, salicylic acid, or other part of this medication, tell your provider.
- This medication may stain clothing or fabric.
- Use with care in children. Do not give to children and teenagers who have or are getting better from the flu, chickenpox, or other viral infections due to the change of Reye's syndrome.
- 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:** 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. Rarely, there can be a very bad skin reaction called Stevens-Johnson syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis. Symptoms include red, swollen, blistered, or peeling skin, red or irritated eyes, sores in the mouth, throat, nose, eyes, fever, chills, sore throat, fatigue, and signs of liver problems like dark urine, fatigue, not hungry, upset stomach, light colored stools, vomiting, yellow skin or eyes. Do not give to children and teenagers who have or are getting better from the flu, chickenpox, or other viral infections due to the change of Reye's syndrome. Reye's syndrome causes very bad problems to the brain and liver. Rare side effects of salicylic acid include dizziness, fatigue, diarrhea, ringing in the ears, hearing loss.

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