Black Widow Spider Antivenin injection

MEDICATION GUIDE

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What is this medicine?
BLACK WIDOW SPIDER ANTIVENIN (blak WID oh SPAHY der an tee VEN in) is used to protect from the toxic effects of the black widow spider bite.

This medicine may be used for other purposes; ask your health care provider or pharmacist if you have questions.

How should I use this medicine?
This medicine is for injection or infusion into a vein. It is given by a health care professional in a hospital or clinic setting.

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NOTE: This medicine is only for you. Do not share this medicine with others.

What if I miss a dose?
This does not apply.

What should I tell my health care provider before I take this medicine?
They need to know if you have any of these conditions:
• An unusual or allergic reaction to black widow spider antivenin, horse serum, other medicines, foods, dyes, or preservatives
• Pregnant or trying to get pregnant
• Breast-feeding

What may interact with this medicine?
Interactions are not expected.

This list may not describe all possible interactions. Give your health care provider a list of all the medicines, herbs, non-prescription drugs, or dietary supplements you use. Also tell them if you smoke, drink alcohol, or use illegal drugs. Some items may interact with your medicine.

What side effects may I notice from receiving this medicine?
Side effects that you should report to your doctor or health care professional as soon as possible:
• Allergic reactions like skin rash, itching or hives, swelling of the face, lips, or tongue
• Breathing problems
• Fever
• Joint pain
• Skin lesion
• Swollen lymph nodes

Side effects that usually do not require medical attention (Report these to your doctor or health care professional if they continue or are bothersome):
• Muscle pain

This list may not describe all possible side effects. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

What should I watch for while using this medicine?
Tell your doctor or healthcare professional if your symptoms do not start to get better or if they get worse.

Where should I keep my medicine?
Keep out of the reach of children.
This drug is given in a hospital or clinic and will not be stored at home.
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