## Pulmicort<sup>™</sup> Flexhaler<sup>™</sup> (Budesonide)



Select your dose:

□ 90 mcg	(teal)	☐ 180 mcg (purple)

This guide will teach you how to use your inhaler.

## Follow these steps before you use your inhaler for the first time:

- 1. Take the inhaler device out of the box and identify all of the parts that are labeled in the picture below.
- 2. Twist the cover to remove it from the base. Locate the dose counter. This number indicates how many doses remain.





Source: Pulmicort™ Flexhaler™ Package Insert

## When you are ready to take a dose, please follow these instructions:

- 1. Twist the cover to remove it from the base.
- 2. Make sure that the counter does not say "0." If it does, your inhaler is empty. Throw it away and get a new one.
- 3. While holding the inhaler upright, twist the bottom of the inhaler in either direction until it doesn't turn anymore. Then, twist the bottom in the other direction until you hear a click
- 4. Breathe out releasing as much air from your lungs as you can. Never blow out into the inhaler.
- 5. Bring the inhaler up to your mouth and place your lips tightly around the mouthpiece.
- 6. Breathe in **<u>quickly and deeply</u>** through your mouth, and then take inhaler out of your mouth.
- 7. Take the inhaler out of your mouth.
- 8. Hold your breath for 5-10 seconds.
- 9. Breathe out, away from the inhaler mouthpiece.
- 10. Repeat steps 2 6 if a second dose is required.
- 11. Rinse your mouth with water and spit to prevent infection in your mouth.

## **Important Notes:**

- You do not need to clean your inhaler. If you wish to clean it, wipe the outside of the mouthpiece with a dry tissue.
- Never get your inhaler wet. Store your inhaler in a cool, dry, and dark place, such as a drawer in your bedroom or kitchen; do NOT store your inhaler in the bathroom. Keep away from children and pets.

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