ADVAIR® HFA
(Combination of Flovent and Serevent)

Other names: fluticasone and salmeterol

Type of medicine: Combination medicine: inhaled steroid and beta-agonist
Control medicine for everyday

Why you need it: To relax the muscles around the breathing tubes and decrease swelling and mucus in the breathing tubes.

How it is given: Advair HFA® is an aerosol form of Advair® that comes in a canister, and is used with an actuator inhaler device and a spacer device.

Side effects: Thrush in the mouth
Sore throat
Nervousness

Tips for Taking

1. Shake Advair HFA® inhaler for at least 5 seconds before each spray
2. When using the inhaler for the first time, prime it by spraying 4 test sprays into the air, away from your face
3. Also prime the inhaler if you have not used it for more than 4 weeks or if you drop the canister
4. Keep track of the number of sprays used and throw away the canister after 120 sprays
5. Rinse mouth out after use; This will reduce the risk of developing a yeast infection in your mouth. Do not swallow medication.
6. Store device in a cool dry place.

Please discuss any questions about this medicine with your doctor or nurse.