

ORAL MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION: APPLYING MEDICATION TO THE GUMS

Applying medication to a child's gums:

Complete PREPARATION PHASE

Complete ADMINISTRATION PHASE

Prepare:



1. Compare the medication tube to the packaging.
2. If indicated, shake the medication.
3. Put on gloves.
4. Squeeze the amount of medication as instructed by the child's health care provider onto the tip of your clean gloved finger.

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Compare the child's medication consent form against the medication label for the **Five Rights** before administering the medication to the child.

medication time dose route child's name

Administer:

1. Apply the medication evenly to the affected surface of the infant's gums.
2. If you need more medication, use a different clean finger or put on a clean pair of gloves to apply.
3. Remove gloves and discard using the appropriate technique.



Complete DOCUMENTATION PHASE