### **Inhaler Technique**

- Separate the blister strips by tearing along the perforation,
- 2. Peel back the foil until one capsule is fully visible, Do not push capsule through foil,
- 3. Remove the capsule from the foil pack
- 4. Pull off the dust cap on the inhaler,
- 5. Hold the base of the inhaler firmly and tilt the mouthpiece to open the inhaler
- 6. Place the capsule into the capsule chamber
- 7. Close the inhaler until you hear a "click"
- 8. Hold inhaler upright, pierce capsule by firmly pressing orange sides together, you will hear a "click" as capsule is pierced, then release,
- 9. Breathe out fully
- 10. Place mouthpiece between your lips, close lips firmly around it, then breathing in rapidly but steadily, as deeply as you can,
- 11. As you breathe in, the capsule will make a whirring noise, it will taste sweet, if it does not make a noise, open inhaler and tap inhaler to loosen the capsule, repeat step 10,
- 12. Remove the inhaler from your mouth whilst holding your breath for 5 –10 seconds, or as long as it is comfortable

- 13. Resume normal breathing
- 14. Open the inhaler to see if any powder is left in the capsule. Close inhaler and repeat steps 10-13.

Remember to remove the used capsule and dispose of it, and replace the dust cap after use.

#### Further advice:

The Breezhaler should be cleaned once a week. This can be achieved by:

- 1. Opening the dust cap and mouthpiece
- 2. Open the base by flipping the mouthpiece upwards
- 3. Never wash inhaler with water, just wipe the mouthpiece inside and outside with a clean, dry, lint-free cloth to remove any powder residue. Keep inhaler dry.

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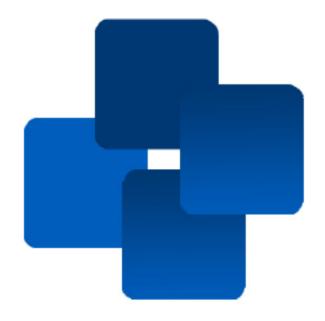
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## Patient information

Using your Breezhaler



Name.....

Date.....

Drug Name	
Inhaler Colour	
Take	puffs
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