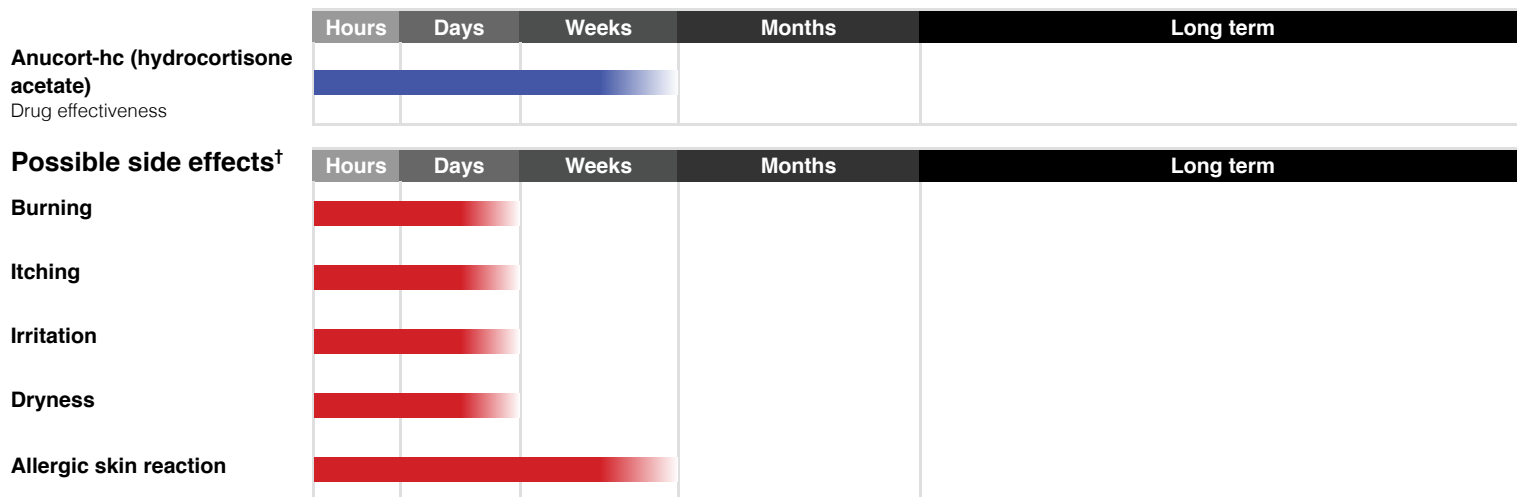


Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) basics

Treats hemorrhoids and rectal irritation. Works well to relieve hemorrhoids and other anal irritation but you have to be comfortable inserting Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) into your rectal area.

What to expect when starting

Here's when people typically experience benefits as well as some possible side effects. Your experience may be different.



[†] Data on frequency of side effects is not available.

Tips from pharmacists

- Wash your hands before and after use. Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) can stain clothing or fabric.
- Be sure to remove the outer foil off Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) and insert pointed end first. Try not to handle Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) for too long as it can melt in your hands.
- If the suppository is soft, you can place it in the refrigerator for a few minutes.
- Avoid having a bowel movement for an hour after inserting Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) so that it has time to work.
- Stop use and talk to your doctor right away if you experience rectal bleeding or pain.
- Eating more fiber and staying well hydrated can help prevent and relieve hemorrhoids.

Risks and warnings

Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

Rectal examination

Your doctor will do a rectal examination to see if you Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) is right for you.

Irritation

Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) can cause irritation such as burning, itching, and dryness at the anal area. If the irritation is bothersome or does not go away, stop use and talk to your doctor.

Checking for infections

Your doctor will also check for an infection during your exam. Depending on how bad the infection is, your doctor may treat your infection before you start Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate). Anucort-hc (hydrocortisone acetate) can make infections worse.