

Albuterol

Other name:	Proventil
Class:	sympathomimetic (beta 2 selective)
Action:	bronchodilation
Indication:	asthma, broncho spasm associated with COPD
Contraindications:	allergy, symptomatic tachycardia
Precautions:	monitor vital signs, and ECG, use caution with pts. with heart disease
Side effects:	palpitations, anxiety, headache, vertigo, diaphoresis
Dosage:	MDI (1-2) sprays, sm. volume neb. (0.5ml) in (2.5ml) in NS over 5-15mins
Route:	inhalation

References:

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2. Brady Paramedic Emergency Care third edition copyright 1997
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