**Medication:** Hydromorphone (Dilaudid®)

**Uses:** Treats moderate to severe pain.

**Administration:** Intramuscular, Subcutaneous, Intravenous, or Oral

**Potential Side Effects:**
- Blurred vision
- Constipation
- Drowsiness, dizziness
- Dry mouth
- Nausea, vomiting

(The side effects listed above are those that occur most frequently. Other side effects may occur; please contact your doctor to report any new medical problems!)

**Warnings:**
- Inform your doctor if you are:
  1. allergic to any food or medicine,
  2. taking any non-cancer related prescriptions or over the counter drugs
- Ask your doctor or pharmacist before using any new medications including: prescriptions, over-the-counter drugs, vitamins or herbal supplements.

**Additional Instructions:**
- The tablets may be taken with food or milk to lessen stomach upset.
- To avoid dizziness, get up slowly from a lying or sitting position.
- Talk to your doctor before you stop taking this medicine. You may need to take smaller and smaller amounts before stopping completely.
- To help avoid constipation, make sure to take a laxative and/or a stool softener. Try to have a bowel movement every 2-3 days, if not then inform your doctor. Your doctor may recommend an enema or suppository to help you move your bowels.
- Your mouth may get dry. Drinking plenty of water, chewing sugarless gum, or sucking hard candy may help relieve dry mouth symptoms.
- Do not drive a vehicle or operate machinery if you feel drowsy after taking the drug.