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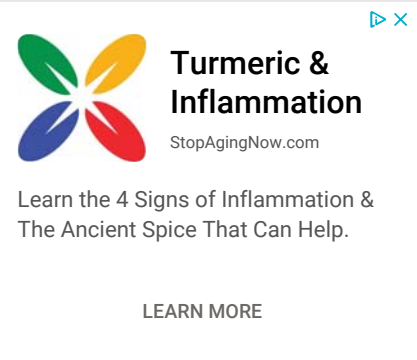
This [medication](#) is used to treat a variety of [skin](#) conditions (e.g., [insect bites](#), [poison oak](#)/ivy, [eczema](#), [dermatitis](#), [allergies](#), [rash](#), [itching](#) of the outer female genitals, anal [itching](#)). [Hydrocortisone](#) reduces the swelling, itching, and redness that can occur in these types of conditions. This medication is a mild corticosteroid.

How to use Anti-Itch (Hydrocortisone) 1 % Topical Cream

There are many [hydrocortisone](#) products available. Many can be purchased without a prescription. Some products require a prescription. Consult your doctor or [pharmacist](#) on the choice of the product that is best for you.

Use this [medication](#) on the [skin](#) only. However, do not use it on the face or underarms unless directed to do so by your doctor. Some products are meant to be used on the scalp for various conditions. To correctly use these products, follow the directions on the product package.

Wash and dry your hands before using. Clean and dry the affected area. If you are using the lotion or foam, shake it well just before using. If you are using the spray, check the product package to see if it needs to be shaken before each use. Apply a small amount of medication to the affected area and gently rub in, usually up to 4 times a day or as directed by your doctor or the product package. Dosage and length of treatment depends on the type of condition being treated. Do not bandage, cover, or wrap the area unless directed to do so by your doctor. If used in or near the diaper area on an [infant](#), do not use tight-fitting diapers or plastic pants.



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Use this medication only for the condition for which it was prescribed or a condition that is listed on the product package. Do not use it for longer than directed by the product package or your doctor.

Tell your doctor if your condition persists or worsens after 7 days or if you think you may have a serious medical problem.

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