Be aware that it can cause serious side effects
• There isn’t a big difference between a safe dose of colchicine and a harmful dose
• People who are over 65 years of age are especially at risk
• Discuss with your doctor or pharmacist if you are concerned about any side effects you experience

Stop taking colchicine immediately if you have
• Stomach pain
• Diarrhoea, vomiting or not feeling well (nausea)
• A burning feeling in your throat, stomach or on your skin
and let your doctor or pharmacist know

Tell your doctor and pharmacist about all of the medicines you are taking
• Colchicine can be harmful when taken with some other medicines like antibiotics and medicines for pain relief

Do not take any more than your doctor has asked you to
• High doses can be very harmful
• Do not take more than five (5) tablets in the first 24 hours of a gout attack
• Do not take more than twelve (12) tablets in total over any four (4) day period
• Always make sure that you wait three (3) days between each treatment course

This information is a guide only and is not a replacement for the advice and care of your doctor, pharmacist (chemist) or nurse.