ELLENCE
(EPIRUBICIN)

Ellence is given into the vein through a needle. It is a red fluid and is used to treat some kinds of cancers, including breast cancer by slowing or stopping growth of cancer cells.

Possible Side Effects:

- Decrease in blood cell counts that could lead to infection, bleeding or anemia
- Hair loss, nausea and vomiting
- Sores in mouth or on lips, taste changes
- Urine color may be pinkish-red
- Skin rash and itching

Less Common Side Effects:

- Diarrhea
- Changes in nail – darkening, white lines
- Pain (burning or stinging) or redness, around the intravenous site caused from leakage of the drug into surrounding tissue

Rare Side Effects:

- Changes in heart muscle function
- Allergic reaction

These are the most common side effects for this medication. Talk to your healthcare provider if your symptoms become difficult to manage. If you experience a fever of 100.4 or more report to the emergency room and notify your doctor’s office: 713-566-3552 (English) or 713-566-3551 (Spanish).