

## Information about Zuclopenthixol Tablets

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### What is Zuclopenthixol?



Zuclopenthixol is a medication that will help if you have schizophrenia or other psychosis.

Zuclopenthixol can be used **off label** to help people with behaviour problems.

We have a leaflet which tells you what **off label** means.

Zuclopenthixol can sometimes be called a different name like **Clopixol**.

Zuclopenthixol is taken as tablets.

## Where do I get Zuclopenthixol tablets?



You can only get this medication with a prescription.

The doctor or consultant

- Will ask you questions about your health
- May also check your blood pressure
- May check your weight
- Will ask you if you are taking other medication
- Will tell you if you need to have a blood test
- Will tell you when you need to have an electrocardiograph



An electrocardiograph is a test to check your heart

## How do I take Zuclopenthixol tablets?



The doctor will talk to you about how much Zuclopenthixol you need to take.



The doctor will tell you how to take your Zuclopenthixol. You need to take Zuclopenthixol for some time so that it works best.



You will usually take Zuclopenthixol in the morning and in the evening.



If you forget to take your medication you must tell your carer and ask your doctor for advice.

You should not stop taking your medication suddenly as this could make you feel unwell.



## What is good about Zuclopenthixol tablets?



Zuclopenthixol can help if you have schizophrenia or psychosis.

Zuclopenthixol can help you get better quicker.

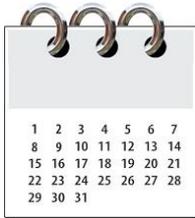


Zuclopenthixol can help you stop wanting to hurt yourself or others.

Zuclopenthixol also helps you to calm more quickly when you are very angry or tense.



## What is not good about Zuclopenthixol tablets?



There are some health problems that people can get when they take Zuclopenthixol.

These problems are called **side effects** but not everyone gets them.

- Feel hungry and putting on weight
- Have constipation
- Feeling tired
- Feel thirsty

You should eat a healthy diet and drink more water or fruit juice.

Usually these side effects go away after a few weeks

You will need to speak to your doctor if you

- Have a rash on your skin
- Develop problems with your periods
- Problems with your breasts
- Feel anxious and restless
- Feel your heart going faster
- Your muscles may shake
- Feel stiff
- Feel unwell

## What other things do I need to talk to the doctor about?



You should talk to your doctor if

- You are worried about your medication.
- You want to know how much alcohol is safe to drink when taking medication.
- You are planning to have a baby.



**The information in this easy read leaflet should always be discussed with the service user and it should not be provided without support.**

**The full information sheet about Zuclopenthixol medication should also be given to the service user, carers and staff.**

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