

## Information about Amisulpride

This is an easy way to say...Ami...sul...pride

### What is Amisulpride?



Amisulpride is a medication that will help if you have psychosis schizophrenia or mania.

Amisulpride is used as **off label** to help people with behaviour problems.

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

Amisulpride can sometimes be called a different name like: **Solian**

Amisulpride can be taken as tablets or liquid medicine

## Where do I get Amisulpride?



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
- Will ask you if you are taking other medication
- May check your weight
- Will tell you if you need 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 Amisulpride?



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



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



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



If you forget to take your medication you should 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 Amisulpride?



Amisulpride can help reduce psychosis schizophrenia and mania. Amisulpride can help you get better quicker.

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

Amisulpride also helps you to calm when you are very angry or tense.



## What is not good about Amisulpride?



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

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



- Problems sleeping
- Feeling thirsty
- Feeling dizzy
- Feel hungry and put on weight
- Have constipation

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



You will need to speak to your doctor if you

- Have a rash on your skin
- Feel your heart going faster
- Feel stiff
- Feel your muscles shake
- Feel anxious and restless
- Problems with your breasts
- Problems with your periods
- Lose interest in sex
- 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 Amisulpride medication should also be given to the service user, carers and staff.**

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