

## WHAT DOES KEPPRA TREAT?

- Partial Seizures
- Generalized seizures
- Juvenile Myoclonic Epilepsy

## WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS OF KEPPRA?

- Dizziness
- Drowsiness
- Irritability
- Hallucinations
- Hypertension
- Headaches
- Cough
- Anorexia
- Vomiting

**THIS INFORMATION IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL POSSIBLE**

**REACTIONS TO KEPPRA. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU SPEAK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ABOUT THIS MEDICATION AND THE BENEFITS/RISKS. DO NOT CHANGE THE DOSE OR FORM OF MEDICINE WITHOUT FIRST DISCUSSING IT WITH OUR OFFICE.**

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# KEPPRA

**Generic: Levetiracetam**

### NCW MEDICATION GUIDE

**KEPPRA COMES IN MULTIPLE FORMS, INCLUDING:**

**TABLETS:**

**250MG• 500MG• 750MG•  
1000MG**

**ODT TABLETS(SPRITAM):**

**250MG• 500MG• 750MG•  
1000MG**

**ER TABLETS:**

**500MG• 750MG**

**SUSPENSION:**

**100MG/ML**

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## WHAT SYMPTOMS SHOULD I REPORT IMMEDIATELY?

- Extreme sleepiness
- Confusion
- Unsteady walking
- Slurred speech
- Increase in seizures
- Suicidal ideation

## WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF TOO MUCH MEDICINE?

- Dizzy
- Unsteady
- “drunk like” actions
- Blurry vision
- Vomiting
- Unexplained bleeding

**CONTACT THE DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY WITH ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS**

## HOW DO I TAKE KEPKRA?

- Keppra tablets can be taken with or without food.
- Depending on your dose/formulation, you may take Keppra up to three times a day.
- Spritam needs to be dissolved in mouth before swallowing. Spritam can also be added to a small amount of taken in one drink.
- Keppra ER should NOT be crushed, chewed or split

## WHY DO YOU NEED REGULAR BLOOD LEVELS?

Depakote dosing is determined by the patient's weight. Dosing is also determined by the amount of medication in the blood. When checking your blood level, we also check the creatinine / BUN to ensure those are still within range while on this medication. A low blood level may lead to poor seizure control and a high blood level may lead to more severe side effects.

**IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAS TAKEN AN OVER DOSE OF MEDICATION, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY!**

## WHAT OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS SHOULD I AVOID WITH KEPKRA?

- There are no medications that should be avoided with Keppra

## IS KEPKRA ADDICTIVE?

No. Keppra does not have addictive properties. However, suddenly stopping this medication without consulting your doctor can lead to seizures. Tapering off of Keppra is simple, but is done so gradually to prevent rebound seizures.

## I'M PREGNANT, IS IT SAFE TO TAKE KEPKRA?

There are some studies discussing use of Keppra during pregnancy. If you believe you are pregnant or are trying to get pregnant, contact our office. **DO NOT STOP taking your Keppra suddenly. CONTACT our office to discuss your options and treatment.**

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