

Trileptal (Oxcarbazepine)

Parent Information Sheet

Why it is prescribed

Trileptal is used to treat seizures.

How to give Trileptal

- Trileptal is prescribed only for use by the patient whose name appears on the prescription.
- Trileptal requires adult supervision at home and at school. Your child should not be expected to remember to take the medication on his/her own. Your school will require a form for school medication administration signed by the doctor.
- Give Trileptal exactly as your doctor has prescribed. Trileptal may be taken with or without food.
- Do not give Trileptal more often or in larger doses than what your doctor has ordered. If you have any questions or concerns about the current medication, call your doctor's office.
- If you miss a dose take the missed dose as soon as possible; then take the remaining doses for that day at regularly spaced times. Do not give a double dose.

***The phone number to the office is
(313) 832-1100 ext. 220.***

Side Effects

Side effects are infrequent, but some are more serious than others.

Less Serious: headache, drowsiness, stomach ache, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, rash.

More Serious: blurred vision, rapid eye movements, increased seizure activity, difficulty with walking, speaking, or controlling body movements.

Talk with your doctor if a less serious side effect occurs; call your doctor immediately or go to the nearest emergency room if a serious side effect occurs.

Special Considerations

- Make sure your doctor knows if you are also taking other medicines to control seizures.
- Do not drink alcohol while taking this medicine.

Procedure for getting a prescription

- If you require a prescription refill before your next scheduled appointment, please call the clinical services office at (313) 832-1100 ext. 220.
- Please have your pharmacy phone number available before calling for prescription refills.
- The Detroit Institute for Children is not open on weekends or holidays. The clinical services department is open from 8 am till 5 pm Monday through Thursday and 8 am till 12 noon on Fridays.
- If you are overdue for a return appointment or have not kept a scheduled appointment, your child's doctor reserves the right not to prescribe the medication.

***Poison Control Center:
1-800-764-7661 (1-800-POISON-1)***