

Your Guide to **intuniv**[®]

(guanfacine hydrochloride)

This booklet is intended only for people who have been prescribed INTUNIV.



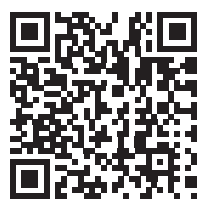
Your Guide to INTUNIV

Your doctor has prescribed INTUNIV for you. INTUNIV is used to treat Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

Whether you have just been diagnosed with ADHD or the diagnosis was made a while ago, this guide aims to answer questions you might have about the treatment and to increase your understanding of the treatment and what to expect. Knowing more about INTUNIV may also help you feel more involved in the decisions you need to make about your ADHD diagnosis and treatment with INTUNIV.

Your Guide to INTUNIV is an overview of INTUNIV, what it is and how it is taken. However, the guide cannot take the place of talking to your doctor about ADHD and the treatment options. If you have any questions about the benefits and risks of INTUNIV, please talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

This booklet is not a replacement for the INTUNIV Consumer Medicine Information (CMI), which you should read if you're just starting INTUNIV treatment. You can get a copy from your doctor or your pharmacist, or by phoning Takeda on 1800 012 612. Alternatively, you can get a copy by scanning this QR code.



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Q What is INTUNIV?

INTUNIV is a medicine used to treat the symptoms of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). The main ingredient in INTUNIV is called guanfacine hydrochloride.

Q How can INTUNIV help with ADHD?

INTUNIV is a medicine that can help improve your attention and concentration and make you less impulsive and hyperactive. Taking INTUNIV should be part of a comprehensive treatment program that usually includes psychological, educational and social therapy.

Q When is the best time to take it?

Always take the tablets exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has directed. It is recommended that you take INTUNIV once a day, either in the morning or the evening.

Q How is INTUNIV taken?

Take INTUNIV exactly as your doctor has explained.

Swallow the tablets whole with a full glass of water. Do not break, crush or chew the tablets as this will affect how INTUNIV works. You can take INTUNIV with or without food. Do NOT take it with fatty foods. INTUNIV tablets come in four different strengths.



1 mg



2mg



3mg



4mg

The images above do not depict actual tablet size.

Q What if I forget a dose?

If you miss a dose, take INTUNIV as usual the next day. Do NOT take a double dose to make up for a forgotten tablet. If you miss two or more doses, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.



Q Does INTUNIV have any side effects?

Yes. In addition to its beneficial effects, INTUNIV, like all medicines, may produce unwanted side effects in some people. Sometimes these are serious, but most of the time they are mild and temporary. Do not be alarmed by this list of possible side effects. You may not experience any of them.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist as soon as possible if you feel unwell while taking INTUNIV or if you notice any of these common side effects and they worry you: feeling sleepy or very drowsy; feeling tired or weary; headache; stomach pain; feeling restless or irritable; trouble sleeping or broken sleep or nightmares; feeling depressed; worried or having mood swings; weight gain; loss of appetite; a dry mouth; wetting yourself; feeling or being sick; diarrhoea; indigestion (upset stomach) or constipation; slow heart beat; feeling dizzy or faint; fainting; trouble breathing or asthma; increased blood pressure; low blood pressure or feeling dizzy when standing up; rash.

If you do develop serious side effects, tell your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital. You will find a full list of serious side effects in the Consumer Medicine Information leaflet. You can get a copy from your doctor or your pharmacist, or by phoning Takeda on 1800 012 612. Alternatively, you can get a copy by scanning this QR code.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist any questions you may have.

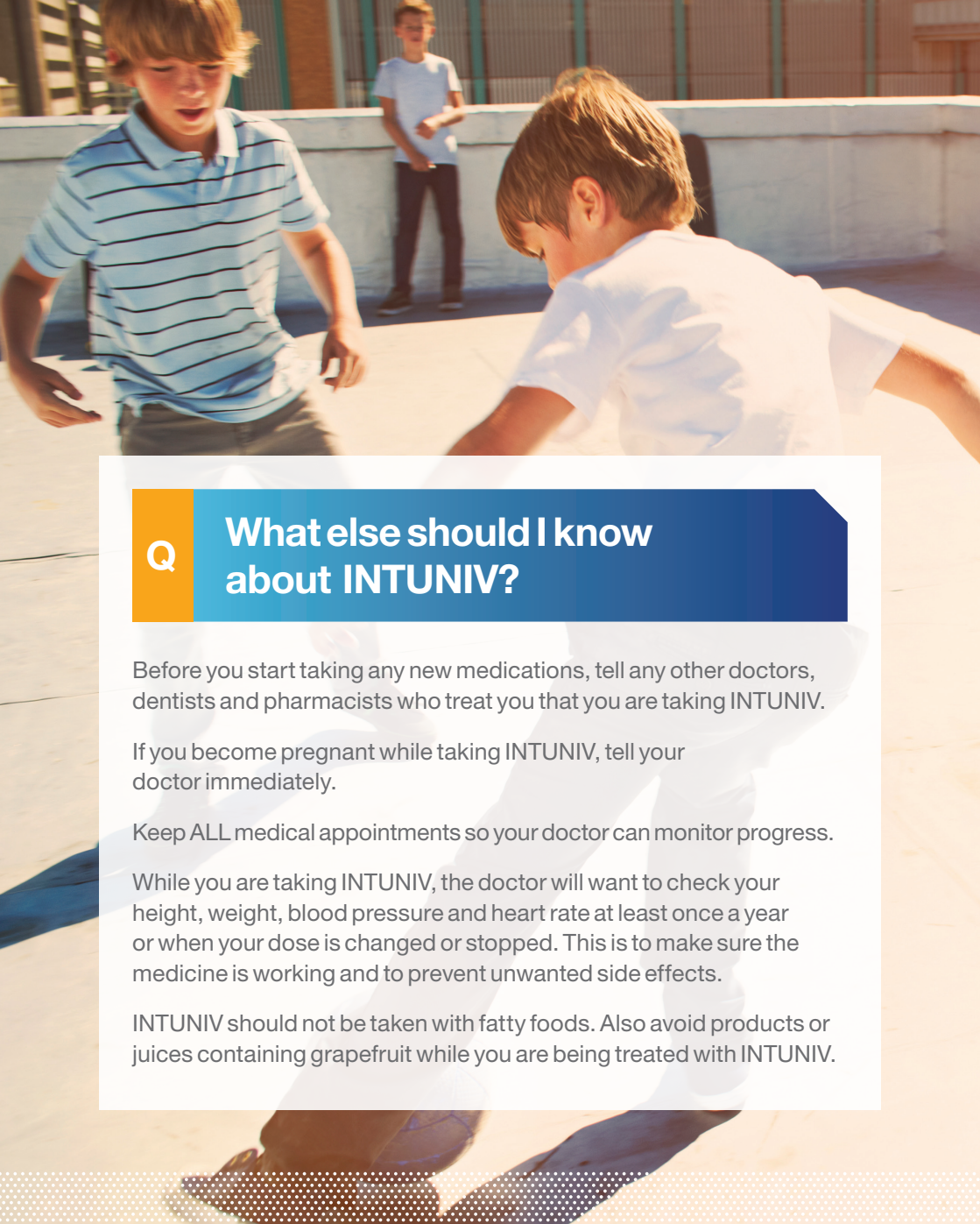


Q Is it OK to take other medicines while on INTUNIV?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines – including those you can buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or healthfood shop.

Some medicines may interfere with the way INTUNIV works and this can cause undesirable effects. It is important to check with your doctor or pharmacist before taking a new medicine while on INTUNIV and also ask them which medicines to avoid.





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What else should I know about INTUNIV?

Before you start taking any new medications, tell any other doctors, dentists and pharmacists who treat you that you are taking INTUNIV.

If you become pregnant while taking INTUNIV, tell your doctor immediately.

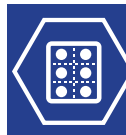
Keep ALL medical appointments so your doctor can monitor progress.

While you are taking INTUNIV, the doctor will want to check your height, weight, blood pressure and heart rate at least once a year or when your dose is changed or stopped. This is to make sure the medicine is working and to prevent unwanted side effects.

INTUNIV should not be taken with fatty foods. Also avoid products or juices containing grapefruit while you are being treated with INTUNIV.

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Where should I store INTUNIV?



Leave INTUNIV tablets in their pack until it is time to take them. If you take the tablets out of the pack, they may not keep well.



Store your INTUNIV tablets in a cool, dry place where the temperature stays below 25°C. Do not keep INTUNIV or any other medicine in the bathroom or near a sink. Do not leave it on a windowsill or in the car. Dampness and heat can destroy some medicines. A locked cupboard at least 1.5 metres above the ground is a good place to store medicines. Return any unwanted tablets to your pharmacy for safe disposal and to prevent anyone else from taking them.

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Where can I find additional support?



Your doctor is a great source of support. Always let your doctor know how you're feeling while you're taking INTUNIV. Ask your doctor for more information about patient resources that may help you manage your ADHD treatment.

If you have any questions about INTUNIV or ADHD, the best person to speak to is your doctor.



Reference: INTUNIV Consumer Medicine Information.

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