

INVEGA SUSTENNA – PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE

234 mg

- Assess hallucinations, shake med 10 secs, aspirate,
- You have been diagnosed with schizophrenia. This is a mental disorder that affects your thought process.
- We expect this medication to help with the symptoms of your schizophrenia. Our expectation is that it will reduce your hallucinations and help increase your motivation. This should help you be able to perform your activities of daily living, hygiene, and self-care tasks and return to your baseline level of function where you were attending school.
- If you don't continue the treatment as prescribed your symptoms may return or worsen.
- You were taking the oral form of this medication, and this is an injectable medication. Your physician has chosen this form of the medication because it provides long-term maintenance for schizophrenia. This is a once monthly dose as opposed to a daily pill.
- This course of treatment is an initial injection in the arm or hip area followed by a second dose a week later. After this second dose, the injections happen once a month.
- ~common side effects to look out for are drowsiness, headache, insomnia, and palpitations, more serious, rare side effects such as neuroleptic malignant syndrome which are characterized by fever, altered mental status, and muscle stiffness
 - ~Ask about side effects patient has experienced with oral medication
 - ~Tardive dyskinesia is a rare but potential side effect that includes irreversible uncontrollable movements in your tongue, face, mouth, or jaw that can happen with large doses or long-term therapy
 - ~Pregnancy should be avoided while taking this medication. If you are planning pregnancy or do become pregnant, notify your provider immediately.
- Inform staff of any side effects you may experience immediately
- You can withdraw consent for this medication at any time
- Do you have any questions regarding this medication or your treatment plan?