

## Patient Education

### ALPROSTADIL PENILE SUPPOSITORY

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The following information is intended to supplement, not substitute for, the expertise and judgment of your physician, pharmacist or other healthcare professional. It should not be construed to indicate that use of the drug is safe, appropriate, or effective for you. Consult your healthcare professional before using this drug.

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(al-PROSS-tuh-dill)

**COMMON BRAND NAME(S):** Muse

#### **USES:**

This medication is used to treat erection problems.

#### **HOW TO USE:**

This medication is used as needed to achieve an erection. The effect starts about 5 minutes after application and lasts about 30-60 minutes. Dosage will be determined by your doctor, and you will be monitored for adverse effects. Follow prescribed directions exactly.

You should be instructed in detail on usage by a health professional before trying to insert the drug in the penis yourself. Each product is for single use only.

#### **SIDE EFFECTS:**

Penis or testicle-groin pain, minor penile bleeding or spotting, dizziness, palpitations, flu symptoms or headache might occur. If these continue or are bothersome, notify your doctor.

Very unlikely but report: fainting or severe unsteadiness (due to a possible blood pressure decrease).

Female partner side effects - vaginal burning/itching is sometimes reported. It is not clear if it is related to the drug.

If you notice other effects not listed above, contact your doctor or pharmacist.

#### **PRECAUTIONS:**

Before using this drug, tell your doctor of: any allergies, heart disease, low blood pressure, blood or bleeding disorders, physical penis abnormalities, cancer, prolonged erections from other medicines.

This drug offers no protection from sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV (AIDS), or Hepatitis B.

An overdose of the medicine can cause a painful erection for hours. If untreated, it can lead to permanent inability to have an erection. If you have a prolonged erection, seek prompt medical attention.

Caution is advised when performing tasks requiring alertness (e.g., driving), since this medication can cause dizziness.

This medication is not intended for use by women.

This drug should not be used for intercourse with a pregnant woman unless a condom (e.g., latex) barrier is used.

If the woman is of childbearing potential, discuss contraception issues with your doctor.

This medication is not intended for use in children.

#### DRUG INTERACTIONS:

Tell your doctor of all nonprescription or prescription medication you may take, especially drugs that sometimes cause erection problems such as: tricyclic antidepressants, MAO inhibitors (e.g., phenelzine, selegiline, furazolidone), spironolactone, methyldopa, thiazide water pills, clonidine, disopyramide, guanabenz, guanfacine, propranolol (beta-blockers), prazosin, terazosin, hydralazine, calcium channel blockers or other high blood pressure medicines, anti-anxiety drugs, phenothiazines (e.g., chlorpromazine).

Also, report blood thinners (e.g., warfarin, aspirin, NSAIDs).

Do not start or stop any medicine without doctor or pharmacist approval.

#### OVERDOSE:

If overdose is suspected, contact your local poison control center or emergency room immediately. US residents can call the US national poison hotline at 1-800-222-1222. Canadian residents should call their local poison control center directly. Symptoms of overdose may include lightheadedness, fainting, lasting pain in the penis, and painful erections lasting more than 6 hours.

#### NOTES:

Do not share with others, as each person needs a full medical evaluation before starting treatment. The only medical testing experience is in vaginal intercourse situations.

#### MISSED DOSE:

Not applicable.

#### STORAGE:

Keep unopened foil pouches under refrigeration at 36 to 46 degrees F (2 to 8 degrees C). Do not keep this product in temperatures above 86 degrees F (30 degrees C). This product may be kept at room temperature (below 86 degrees F (30 degrees C)) for up to 14 days before use.