

## **Aprostadil 25mcg/mL intracavernosal injection**

### **Visually Impaired**

If you are visually impaired and need help reading your label we can help. At your request, a prescription reader is available to patients in need. If you need help, please contact the pharmacy at 727-498-1228 and speak to a technician or pharmacist who will be able to advise you on your options and the cost. Additional charges do apply.

### **What is this medication?**

Alprostadil is used to treat erectile dysfunction (ED) by increasing blood flow to the penis, helping to achieve and maintain an erection. It is administered by injection into the corpus cavernosum (erectile tissue of the penis).

Warnings: Using this medicine does not protect you or your partner against HIV infection (the virus that causes AIDS) or other sexually transmitted diseases.

### **What are the ingredients?**

This is a compounded formulation of Alprostadil 25 mcg/mL.

If you have any further questions or concerns about the ingredients used in your customized, compounded formulation, please contact one of our pharmacists at 727-498-1228.

### **What should I tell my healthcare provider before I take this medication?**

Before using this medication, inform your provider if you:

- Have a history of priapism (prolonged erections)
- Have penile implants or anatomical deformities
- Are taking any blood thinners or anticoagulants
- Have any known allergies, especially to Alprostadil or other ED medications
- Have any heart conditions or are advised to avoid sexual activity

### **How should I use this medication?**

- This medication is injected directly into the side of the penis, avoiding veins and the midline.
- Use only the dose prescribed by your doctor. Do not inject more than once every 24 hours and no more than 2-4 times per week. This recommendation is directly from the American Urology Association (AUA).
- Follow your training from your provider for proper technique and safety.
- Always wash your hands and disinfect the site before injecting.

### **What if I miss a dose?**

This medication is taken as needed. If you forget to use it before sexual activity, skip the missed dose and wait until your next planned use. Do not use extra medication to make up for a missed dose.

### **What may interact with this medication?**

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you use:

- Other medications for erectile dysfunction (e.g., sildenafil, tadalafil)
- Blood thinners (e.g., warfarin, aspirin)
- Any over-the-counter or herbal supplements

Always check with your provider before starting or stopping any medication, including non-prescription products.

### **What side effect:**

Common side effects:

- Mild pain or bruising at the injection site
- Penile redness or slight swelling.

Serious side effects (seek immediate medical attention):

- Erection lasting more than 4 hours (priapism)
- Severe pain, bleeding, or deformity of the penis

This list may not describe all possible side effects. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects and any unusual problems while taking this medication. If you experience a serious side effect, you or your doctor may send a report to the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program, online ([www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch](http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch)) or by phone (1-800-332-1088)

### **What should I watch while using this medication?**

- Rotate injection sites to prevent scarring.
- Monitor for prolonged erections or signs of local irritation.
- Inform your provider if the medication becomes less effective.

## **Where should I keep my medication?**

Store according to the label instructions. Refrigeration is typically required, unless otherwise noted. This medication is a sterile injectable product and expires 28 days after the vial is first punctured, or the date on the prescription vial label, whichever date comes first. Keep away from children and pets.

**Disposal:** To safely dispose of Alprostadil intracavernosal injection, do not flush it or pour it down the drain. The best option is to use a DEA-authorized drug take-back location, which you can find at [rxdrugdropbox.org](http://rxdrugdropbox.org). If that's not available, mix the medication (still in its vial or drawn into a syringe) with an undesirable substance like used coffee grounds or cat litter, seal it in a plastic bag, and discard it in the household trash—after removing any personal information from the label. Used syringes must be placed in an FDA-cleared sharps container and taken to an appropriate sharps disposal site. If you're unsure, contact your pharmacist at 727-498-1228 for guidance.

## **OFFER TO COUNSEL NOTICE**

You are receiving this notice because you or your physician recently requested a compounded prescription to be filled by our pharmacy. You are entitled to receive medication counseling from one of our pharmacists regarding the following: Name and description of medication. Dose, route of administration, and duration of medication. Intended use of medication and expected action. Special directions and precautions for use. Common adverse effects or interactions. Techniques for self-monitoring. Proper storage. Prescription refill information.

You may contact a pharmacist at (727) 498-1228 Monday through Friday, 9AM to 5PM EST and Saturday 9AM-1PM EST.

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Our pharmacists will be happy to discuss any additional questions or concerns you may have.

**NOTE:** This sheet is a summary. It may not cover all possible information. If you have questions about this medicine, talk to your doctor, pharmacist, or health care provider.