

Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (HCG) 10,000 Units / 10 mL Multi-Dose Vial

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What is this medication?

Generic Name: Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (HCG)

Strength: 10,000 units per vial (1,000 units/mL when reconstituted with 10 mL)

HCG is a hormone that mimics luteinizing hormone (LH). It is used for:

- Fertility treatment in women (trigger ovulation)
- Male hypogonadism or infertility (stimulates testosterone and sperm production)
- Delayed puberty in boys (rare)
- As part of hormone support in gender-affirming care

What are the ingredients?

Active Ingredient: Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (HCG).

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

Tell your provider if you:

- Have a history of cancer (especially hormone-sensitive cancers)
- Have uncontrolled thyroid or adrenal disorders
- Have ovarian cysts or enlarged ovaries
- Have a history of blood clots or seizures
- Are pregnant or breastfeeding
- Are taking gonadotropins, testosterone, or anticoagulants

How should I use this medication?

- Reconstitute vial with 10 mL of bacteriostatic water (if not pre-mixed)
- Use as directed by your healthcare provider
- Administer by subcutaneous (under the skin) or intramuscular (IM) injection, depending on instructions



General Instructions:

- 1. Wash hands and gather supplies (vial, syringe, alcohol wipes)
- 2. Clean rubber stopper and injection site with alcohol
- 3. Withdraw prescribed dose (e.g., 250–1000 units) using a sterile syringe
- 4. Inject into the recommended site (abdomen or upper thigh for SC; glute or thigh for IM)
- 5. Discard used needle into a sharps container
- 6. Never use more than prescribed. Do not reuse needles or syringes.

What if I miss a dose?

Take it as soon as you remember, unless it's near your next scheduled dose.

Do not double up. Call your provider for specific instructions.

What may interact with this medication?

Other fertility agents (e.g., clomiphene). Anticoagulants (e.g., warfarin). Corticosteroids. Hormonal therapies (testosterone, estrogen, etc.).

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

What side effect:

Common side effects:

- Injection site irritation or bruising
- Headache or fatigue
- Mood changes
- Mild abdominal discomfort

Serious side effects (call your provider):

- Ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome (OHSS): abdominal pain, swelling, nausea (mostly in women)
- Gynecomastia (breast enlargement) in men
- Blood clots: leg pain, chest pain, difficulty breathing
- Severe allergic reactions: rash, swelling, shortness of breath

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) or by phone (1-800-332-1088)



What should I watch while using this medication?

Monitor hormone levels (testosterone, LH, estradiol, etc.) if using long-term.

In women: Watch for signs of OHSS, especially if using for fertility.

Keep all follow-up appointments and lab work.

Avoid strenuous exercise if ovarian stimulation is ongoing.

Where should I keep my medication?

Keep the vial tightly closed and protected from light.

Discard 28 days after first puncture unless otherwise instructed.

<u>Disposal:</u> Do not flush or pour unused medication down the drain. The best option is to use a DEA-authorized drug take-back location, which you can find at <u>rxdrugdropbox.org</u>. 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.