Gabapentin Compound

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What is Gabapentin Compound?

Gabapentin (GA-ba-pen-tin)

- Gabapentin is a GABA analog that may help address painful nerve diseases.
- It may also be used for other conditions as determined by your doctor.
- **Gabapentin may be a controlled substance in your state.**

Compounded Drug Forms: capsule, cream, gel, ointment, suppository

What should I tell my health care provider before I take this medicine?

- Allergy to gabapentin
- Pregnant or may become pregnant; are breastfeeding
- Have kidney disease
- Are on peritoneal dialysis, intermittent hemodialysis or continuous renal replacement therapy
- Have respiratory disease
- Have a history of alcohol use disorder or substance use disorder
- Are taking other sedating medications
- Have myasthenia gravis
- Have epilepsy

How should I use this medicine?

Follow the package directions provided by Belmar Pharma Solutions and by your prescriber. Your dosage is based on your medical condition and response to therapy. Follow the dosing schedule provided carefully.

Oral dosage forms may be taken with or without food. If it upsets your stomach take it with a small meal.

Topical products can be applied to the inner arm, upper thigh, back of the knee, tops of the feet and inner wrists, or as directed by prescriber. It is recommended to rotate sites to ensure even retention of the hormone. Cover treated skin with clothes to avoid contact with people or pets.

Vaginal preparations should be inserted using your finger or the applicator provided. Suppositories may leak and may be more convenient to use at bedtime.

What if I miss a dose?

- If you miss a dose, take it as soon as possible.
- If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and continue with your regular dosing schedule.
- Do not take double the dose at once.

What should I watch for while using this medicine?

Belmar Pharma Solutions recommends yearly checkups with your provider that may include monitoring for renal function and behavioral changes.

What may interact with this medicine?

- Extensive drug interactions exist with this medication.
- Discuss your medication regiment with your health care provider to determine the best therapy for you.

What side effects may I notice from receiving this medicine?

Possible side effects that may occur and may go away as your body gets used to the medication include:

- Gastrointestinal upset (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea)
- Drowsiness
- Dry mouth

Serious Side Effects: Contact your doctor immediately or seek medical attention if you experience:

- Are not able to pass urine, have blood in the urine, changes in amount of urine, or weight gain

- Dark urine, fatigue, no appetite, nausea, abdominal pain, light-colored stools, vomiting, or yellow skin or eyes
- Changes in mood or behavior, such as anxiety, agitation, irritability, panic attacks, confusion, or depressive, suicidal thoughts
- Memory trouble, confusion, or difficulty focusing
- Signs of an infection such as swollen glands, chills, fever, or sore throat
- Vision changes or involuntary eye movements
- Difficulty breathing, shallow breathing, breathing more slowly, or shortness of breath
- Blue-gray color of skin, nails or lips
- Excessive weight gain
- Swelling in the arms or legs
- Severe loss of strength and energy
- Twitching, muscle pain, muscle weakness, tremors, or abnormal movements
- Severe fatigue, severe dizziness, or fainting
- Change in balance
- Difficulty swallowing or trouble speaking

You may experience side effects not listed. Contact your doctor with questions.

An allergic reaction to this medication is unlikely but seek medical attention if it occurs. Symptoms of an allergic reaction include rash, itching, swelling, severe dizziness, trouble breathing.

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Where should I keep my medicine?

Store at room temperature between 59 and 86 degrees F, unless otherwise specified on the packaging.

Additional Information:

- Do not share this medication with others.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets.
- If an overdose is suspected contact your local poison control center at 1-800-222-1222 or go to the nearest emergency room.

If you have any questions concerning this or any of your medications, a pharmacist is available during normal business hours to answer your questions. You may report side effects to the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

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Do not flush down a toilet or pour down a drain. Check with your pharmacist if you have questions about the best way to dispose of medications. There may be a drug take-back program in your area.

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