

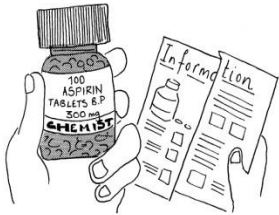
# Quetiapine

Antipsychotic



## Your medication

# Quetiapine



## What is this leaflet for?

This leaflet is to help you understand more about your medicine.

Your medicine could look different to the pictures on this leaflet.



Quetiapine is also called Seroquel.

Quetiapine is available as tablets.



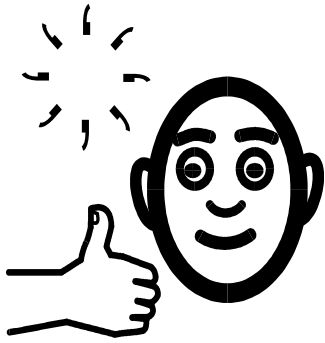
## What is Quetiapine used for?

Quetiapine is commonly used to treat psychosis and mania.

It is also used in people having behavioural problems.



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## What will Quetiapine do?

Quetiapine should help you feel calm and relaxed.

It could take some time for Quetiapine to have its full effect.



## What are the side effects of Quetiapine?

Side effects are the unwanted effects of any medicine on the body.

Not everyone taking a medicine will get side effects.

Many side effects will go away with time. But some side effects may last for longer.

Some side effects can be serious.

You should tell your doctor if you have any side effect.

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## What are the side effects of Quetiapine?

- feeling dizzy
- feeling restless or cannot sit still
- stiffness in arms or legs
- feeling sleepy or sluggish
- increase in weight
- changes in blood sugar level
- changes in cholesterol levels
- changes in heart function
- rash or feeling itchy
- dry mouth



## You will need to have the following tests done as part of the metabolic syndrome monitoring:

Tracing of your heart - ECG

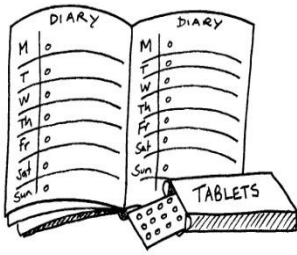
Blood pressure

Weight

Waist circumference

Blood tests

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## How and when to take Quetiapine?

The label on your Quetiapine packet should tell you when and how much you should take.



## What else can help?

Eating healthy

Doing some exercises.



Participating in activities that you like.



## If you forget to take the tablet

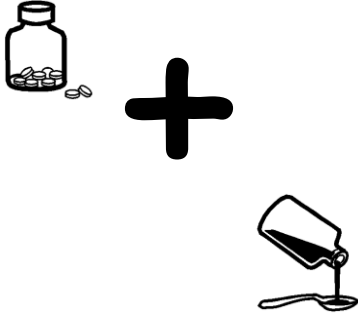
Tell your carer or doctor straight away.



## When to stop taking Quetiapine?

You should carry on taking your medicine unless your doctor asks you to stop.

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**Some medicines do not work well together.**

You should tell your doctor about any other medicines you are taking.



**What should not be done while taking Quetiapine?**

Drinking alcohol when on Quetiapine could make you feel drowsy.



**Doctor's comments**

# Help and support



Your doctor: .....  
Telephone Number: .....

Your Psychiatrist: .....  
Telephone Number: .....



Your Community Nurse: .....  
Telephone Number: .....

Other professionals involved:

Other resources:



[www.patient.co.uk](http://www.patient.co.uk)



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