

Zyprexa Side Effects

ZYPREXA is a brand name for a prescription medicine that is approved by the FDA for treating the symptoms of schizophrenia, acute mixed or manic episodes of bipolar I disorder and for maintenance treatment in bipolar disorder.

Zyprexa is sometimes misspelled as xyprexa, ziprasidone, ziprexa, or zyprexxa.

Like any medication, ZYPREXA® (olanzapine) may be associated with some different side effects. Medications always affect people in different ways and you may not experience any side effects at all. However, it is important to remember that side effects may occur. Consult your physician immediately about any side effect that is troublesome to you and that will not go away.

Common Side Effects Include:

- Sleepiness
- Upset Stomach
- Dry mouth
- Increased appetite
- Feeling weak
- Constipation
- Weight gain
- Tremors (shakes)
- Dizziness
- Problems with keeping your body temperature regulated

There are certain things that you should speak with your doctor about before taking the medicine ZYPREXA. Tell your physician about all the medicines you take, including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. ZYPREXA can interact with many other medicines Also:

If you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if ZYPREXA can harm your unborn baby

If you are breast-feeding or plan to breast-feed. ZYPREXA may pass into your milk and may harm your baby

Tell your doctor if you have any of these conditions:

- High blood sugar, diabetes or family history of diabetes
- Liver problems
- Seizures (convulsions or fits)
- Low blood pressure. ZYPREXA can cause dizziness or fainting in people with low blood pressure
- Heart problems including heart attacks
- If you are older than age 65 and have dementia
- Strokes, or mini-strokes called transient ischemic attacks (TIAs)
- High blood pressure
- An enlarged prostate in men
- An eye problem called narrow angle glaucoma
- A stomach problem called a paralytic ileus