

# Vfend (voriconazole) basics

**Treats fungal infections.** Vfend (voriconazole) is effective at treating many different fungal infections, but it can cause blurry vision and make your eyes more sensitive to light.

## What to expect when starting

Here's when people typically experience benefits as well as some possible side effects. Your experience may be different.



## Tips from pharmacists

- Take at least 1 hour before or 1 hour after a meal.
- If using the liquid, shake it well for approximately 10 seconds before measuring the dose; only use the oral dispenser supplied.
- Avoid driving and doing other tasks that require you to be alert, or see clearly until you understand how this medication affects you.
- You may get sunburned more easily while taking Vfend (voriconazole). Use sunscreen and wear protective clothing when out in the sun.
- The pills contain lactose and should not be taken by people who are lactose intolerant.
- Use birth control that you can trust to prevent pregnancy while taking this drug.

## Risks and warnings

Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

### Liver problems

People taking Vfend (voriconazole) might experience serious (but rarely fatal) liver reactions like liver inflammation or yellowing of the skin. These side effects usually go away once the medication is stopped. Call your doctor right away if you have signs of liver problems like dark urine, feeling tired, loss of appetite, upset stomach, light-colored stools, throwing up, or yellow skin or eyes.

### Abnormal vision or eye sensitivity

Vfend (voriconazole) can cause blurry vision, changes in eyesight, and increased eye sensitivity to bright lights. Avoid driving at night and wear sunglasses if bright lights bother you while taking this medication. Have an eye exam if you are taking this medication for a long time. Talk to your doctor if you have any of these symptoms.

### Abnormal heartbeat

A type of abnormal heartbeat (prolonged QT interval) can occur then taking Vfend (voriconazole). Call your doctor right away if you have a fast heartbeat, a heartbeat that does not feel normal, or if you pass out.