



Getting Started With VILTEPSO (viltolarsen)

Indication

VILTEPSO is indicated for the treatment of Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) in patients who have a confirmed mutation of the DMD gene that is amenable to exon 53 skipping. This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on an increase in dystrophin production in skeletal muscle observed in patients treated with VILTEPSO. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial.

Important Safety Information

In clinical studies, no patients experienced kidney toxicity during treatment with VILTEPSO. However, kidney toxicity from drugs like VILTEPSO may be possible. Your doctor may monitor the health of your kidneys before starting and during treatment with VILTEPSO.

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Welcome

You've made the decision to start treatment with VILTEPSO for your loved one or yourself. Your doctor has already told you about VILTEPSO and explained how it is given, but you may have more questions. The following pages will provide information you can use to guide you through the infusion process and get started.

As always, remember that your doctor is your primary source of information about VILTEPSO and Duchenne muscular dystrophy.



Personalized Support

Your **Patient Engagement Lead** (PEL) is your constant care connection throughout your treatment journey. They will reach out to you once you begin treatment and will be your primary point of contact for personalized support.

Your PEL can help answer questions about insurance coverage, financial assistance, the infusion process and provide other helpful information.

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VILTEPSO infusion process



How is VILTEPSO given?

VILTEPSO is given as a once-weekly intravenous (IV) infusion that goes directly into the bloodstream through a small needle and tube. IV infusions allow for immediate delivery of VILTEPSO into the body. You and your doctor will decide if there will be a needle stick at each infusion, or if a temporary line or access port would be best. VILTEPSO can be given by a doctor or registered nurse (RN), either at home or at a treatment center.

How much medication is in each infusion?

Your doctor will calculate the weekly dose of VILTEPSO based on body weight: 80 milligrams of medication is given for each kilogram (1 kilogram = 2.2 pounds), and the dose may vary from person to person. Prior to the infusion, the medication will be prepared into one bag of fluid.

How long is each infusion?

Each infusion lasts about 60 minutes. Be sure to plan for some extra time before and after treatment, in case there are questions for the nurse or post-observation time is needed. If traveling to the infusion, allow extra time for traffic, parking, and getting into the infusion center.

Who can monitor my child during infusions?

Your healthcare team will monitor your child during infusions, whether at home or at a treatment center.

What happens if an infusion is missed?

If a dose of VILTEPSO is missed, it should be administered as soon as possible after the scheduled infusion time.

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Taking advantage of treatment At home

- If your insurance benefits cover home infusions, you may find it to be a more comfortable option that could also save you travel time.
- Pediatric home infusion nurses are specially trained to work with young patients and can work with your family to help ensure comfort.
- Generally, you may arrange to have the same registered nurse (RN) come to your home each time—this might help you or your child feel more relaxed. The RN will prepare the infusion that has been delivered to your home and then begin the infusion process.
- Once the infusion is complete, the RN will help schedule your next appointment. If for any reason a scheduled infusion needs to be moved, please let the home infusion company know, and reschedule it as soon as possible after its originally scheduled date.



VILTEPSO infusions at a Treatment center

- Ask your insurance provider to confirm that your benefits cover infusions at a hospital or a treatment center. Some insurance plans don't allow infusions in a hospital setting without prior medical approval.
- You'll need to travel, so you should be prepared and bring anything you and your child may need.
- It's helpful to arrive at the center early for the first appointment, so there's time to settle in.
- An RN will help make sure you and your child are comfortable and then will prepare and deliver the infusion and schedule your next visit.
- Depending on the center, you may not have the same RN for every treatment.

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What to expect



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What to expect Before treatment

It's important for you or your child to be well-hydrated before each infusion, which means drinking plenty of hydrating fluids (like water) the day before. This can help make the initial infusion steps easier.

Wear comfortable clothes, have snacks and drinks handy, and bring a tablet, books, or music to occupy yourself and/or your child. A special blanket or stuffed toy might also bring comfort. If traveling to the procedure, pack a bag in advance that contains everything you and your child might need, and check with your infusion site about which items you can bring.

What to expect Before the infusion

Check in with the receptionist or greet your home RN. You may be asked for your insurance card and ID, co-pay card, or other related paperwork.

The doctor or RN will ask some basic medical questions and check vital signs (blood pressure, temperature, pulse) and weight. Then, they'll set up the area where the VILTEPSO infusion will be received.



What to expect

During the infusion

First, the IV will be set up. Once treatment has started, it should take about 60 minutes to complete delivery of the bag of fluid containing VILTEPSO.

If you notice anything unusual during this time period, please let the RN or doctor know right away.

It's typically fine to eat, drink, watch TV, or use a tablet during the infusion, but be sure to ask the RN or doctor.

What to expect

After the infusion

Once completed, the RN or doctor will recheck vital signs and ask how you or your child is feeling before beginning the discharge process.

Then, the care team will help schedule your next appointment. Remember, it's important that infusions of VILTEPSO be received on a regular weekly basis.

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Additional questions

How can I find a treatment center?

Please contact your doctor or your PEL to find an available treatment center that could be convenient for you.

Can I switch infusion locations?

Before making any change, contact your PEL or speak to your doctor. Changing infusion locations may require a new benefit verification, a new prior authorization, and even a different co-pay or coinsurance. ALWAYS check insurance coverage before making any switch.

Are there tests to do before starting VILTEPSO?

Please speak to your doctor before starting VILTEPSO. Kidney function should be monitored in patients before taking VILTEPSO.

Is it okay to take other medications with VILTEPSO?

You should advise your doctor about all medications to be certain there are no possible interactions.

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What are the potential side effects of VILTEPSO?

As with any treatment, there are potential side effects. The most common side effects seen with VILTEPSO were upper respiratory tract infection, injection site reaction, cough, and fever. Please speak with your doctor for medical advice about side effects.

How will I know if VILTEPSO is working?

Setting goals is an important part of starting any Duchenne treatment. We recommend working with your doctor to set expectations and establish treatment goals.

Keep in mind that Duchenne symptoms may increase over time. Please document any noticeable changes and discuss them with your doctor.

Your doctor is your number one resource when it comes to Duchenne treatment and treatment response.

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What resources can help with insurance issues or financial concerns?

While your PEL will always be your dedicated resource for questions, **NS Support is an additional resource** available for comprehensive care coordination and information.

A NS Support personal case manager can offer individualized support by:

- Explaining insurance benefits and out-of-pocket costs
- Discussing alternative and supplemental sources of financial assistance
- Advising about adding or changing insurance coverage
- Providing information about national and local advocacy organizations offering support for patients with Duchenne

Please reach out to NS Support with any questions about treatment with VILTEPSO at

833-NSSUPRT (833-677-8778)

Monday–Friday, 8 am–8 pm ET

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Your doctor's office and NS Support should have already helped you verify insurance coverage for VILTEPSO, but should you lose coverage or change insurance plans at any time, you **MUST** reverify benefits before the next treatment. If you have any questions, please reach out to NS Support.



You are encouraged to report adverse events related to VILTEPSO. To do so, or for general inquiries, please call NS Pharma Medical Information at **1-866-NSPHARM (1-866-677-4276)**.

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Notes

We hope you've found this additional information useful for answering any questions about VILTEPSO you may have. We encourage you to refer to it as often as you need.

You can also use the space provided here and on the next page to add your own personal notes.



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Need More Support?

If you have questions about getting started, remember to reach out to your PEL.



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