

# Home Infusion with TEPEZZA

## What is home infusion?

Home infusion is an option that allows you to receive your IV infusion medicine in the comfort of your own home, rather than at a hospital or infusion center. The process of getting a home infusion is similar to what is done at an infusion center. A home infusion nurse will come to your house to prepare the medicine and set up the infusion in a comfortable space in your home. He or she will start the IV infusion and stay with you the entire time. He or she will also remain with you for a short time after your infusion is done, to make sure you do not have a reaction to the medicine.

## How do I get TEPEZZA through home infusion?

If you and your doctor decide home infusion is the right option for you, you may be able to receive your TEPEZZA at home. First, you should check with your insurance provider to make sure they will cover the cost of home infusion. Some commercial insurance plans and some state Medicaid and Medicare programs do not cover home infusion. A Patient Access Liaison (PAL) can help you get this information (if you would like to speak with a PAL, **call 1-833-583-7399 Monday-Friday 8am-8pm ET to get one-on-one support**). Your doctor or insurance provider may require that you use a particular home infusion company. If not, a PAL can help you find a home infusion company and schedule your first appointment. A PAL can also answer your questions and help you understand what to expect with home infusion.

Even if you've already received TEPEZZA infusions at an infusion center, hospital, or clinic, you may still be able to have your upcoming TEPEZZA infusions at home.

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## **What do I need to do to prepare for home infusion with TEPEZZA?**

Once your home infusion appointment is scheduled, you will be contacted by the home infusion company before your appointment.

Some important questions to ask include:

- Will I receive a shipment of TEPEZZA in advance of my home infusion appointment or will the nurse bring the TEPEZZA vials with him/her?
- If I receive a shipment of TEPEZZA in advance of my appointment, will I receive multiple boxes at once, or will I receive a new delivery for each infusion appointment?
- Will the nurse bring all of the equipment needed for the home infusion, or will I receive equipment in advance by mail?
- Will the infusion equipment be left in my home for the full 5 months of treatment with TEPEZZA, or will the nurse take the equipment with him/her after each infusion?
- What do I need to do to prepare for my home infusion appointment?

To set up for home infusion, typically you will want to have a comfortable chair and a clean space nearby for the nurse to work.

## **How do I store TEPEZZA if I receive a shipment of medicine in advance of my home infusion appointment?**

If you receive TEPEZZA in the mail before your home infusion appointment, it is important that you store it correctly:

Inside the shipment package you will find a carton or cartons labeled "TEPEZZA." Each carton contains a vial with powder inside.

- Keep the vial inside the TEPEZZA carton
- Store the whole carton in your refrigerator, making sure it is set between 36°F to 46°F (2°C to 8°C)
- Keep it away from light
- Do not freeze it

If you see damage to the TEPEZZA carton, please contact your home infusion company.

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## **What happens during home infusion with TEPEZZA?**

On the day of your home infusion, a nurse will come to your home and set up the infusion equipment. He or she will mix TEPEZZA into a solution with sterile water and put the mixture into an infusion bag. He or she will then place a needle in your arm and begin the TEPEZZA infusion. The first two TEPEZZA infusions will last about 90 minutes each. The remaining six TEPEZZA infusions will take about 60 minutes each, but could be longer depending on how you react to the infusion. Your infusion nurse will remain with you the entire time.

During your infusion, you may want to do some quiet activities such as reading, working on a computer, or watching TV.

## **What happens after home infusion with TEPEZZA?**

After each infusion, the nurse will stay with you for a short time to make sure you do not have a reaction to TEPEZZA. Before he or she leaves, be sure to ask about scheduling your next TEPEZZA infusion for 3 weeks later. TEPEZZA is given every 3 weeks for a total of 8 infusions, so treatment will be ongoing for about 5 months.

### **Questions?**



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with a Patient Access Liaison, call  
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## USE

TEPEZZA is a prescription medicine used to treat Thyroid Eye Disease (TED), no matter if you've had TED for months or years.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

### What is the most important information I should know about TEPEZZA?

Infusion reactions can happen during or within 24 hours after your infusion of TEPEZZA. If you have a reaction while receiving TEPEZZA, your doctor or nurse will slow or stop your infusion and treat your reaction. If you have a severe infusion reaction, your doctor may stop your treatment completely.

**Tell your doctor or nurse right away if you have any of these symptoms during or after your treatment with TEPEZZA:**

- High blood pressure
- Fast heartbeat
- Redness of the face/Feeling hot
- Difficulty breathing
- Headache
- Muscle pain

If you have inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), such as Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis, TEPEZZA may make your IBD symptoms worse. Symptoms of worsening IBD may include: an increased number of loose stools with stomach pain or cramps, and blood in your stools. After each TEPEZZA infusion, tell your doctor right away if you have worsening IBD symptoms.

TEPEZZA may cause an increase in your blood sugar. Before starting treatment with TEPEZZA, tell your doctor if you are currently being treated for diabetes, know your blood sugar is high, or have been diagnosed with diabetes. It is important for you to take your treatments and follow an appropriate diet for glucose control as prescribed by your doctor.

TEPEZZA may cause severe hearing problems including hearing loss, which in some cases may be permanent. Tell your doctor if you have any signs or symptoms of hearing problems or changes in hearing.

**Before receiving TEPEZZA, tell your doctor if you:**

- Have inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis).
- Are currently being treated for diabetes, have been diagnosed with diabetes, or know your blood sugar is high.
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. TEPEZZA may harm your unborn baby. Tell your doctor if you become pregnant or suspect you are pregnant during treatment with TEPEZZA.
  - Women who are able to become pregnant should use an effective form of birth control (contraception) prior to starting treatment, during treatment and for at least 6 months after the final dose of TEPEZZA.
- Are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if TEPEZZA passes into your breast milk. Talk to your doctor about the best ways to feed your baby during treatment with TEPEZZA.
- Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, dietary and herbal supplements. Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them to show your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

### What are the possible side effects of TEPEZZA?

The most common side effects of TEPEZZA include muscle cramps or spasms, nausea, hair loss, diarrhea, feeling tired, high blood sugar, hearing problems, taste changes, headache, dry skin, weight loss, nail problems, and changes in menstruation.

This is not a complete list of all possible side effects. Tell your doctor or treatment team about any side effect you may have.

**You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch), or call the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.**

**Please visit [TEPEZZA.com](http://TEPEZZA.com) for more information.**

