

INJECTABLE PREP: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT APRETUDE

Injectable PrEP (Apretude) is safe and highly effective in protecting a person's body from HIV infection, but with every medication there can be unpleasant side effects.

Most common side effects:

The site at the buttock where the medication is injected such as:

bruising redness
pain swelling
hardness numbness
itching discoloration

RARE side effects:

Liver damage

**severe allergic reaction

**depression which in some cases can lead to suicidal thoughts and behaviors.

Other common side effects:

*headache brain fog diarrhea
*low grade fever fatigue dizziness nausea
*abdominal pain swelling vomiting

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Talk to your doctor about over-the-counter medicines like Tylenol or Aleve. These medicines can help with pain, fever, or headaches.

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If you are experiencing shortness of breath, severe allergic reaction, or new depression with suicidal thoughts, call 911.

Good news!

Not everyone will experience these side effects, and for those who do, they usually diminish or become less bothersome over time.

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