



**PICTURE YOURSELF
IN RECOVERY**

**EXPLORE COUNSELING AND MEDICATION
TO TREAT ALCOHOL DEPENDENCE
OR OPIOID DEPENDENCE**

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Actor portrayals.

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YOU ARE NOT ALONE HELP AND TREATMENT ARE AVAILABLE



Actor portrayal.

Addiction is a vicious cycle many people struggle with

- Millions of American adults struggle with addiction
- This disease includes addiction to substances like alcohol and drugs
- Addiction can make you feel tense and can seem overwhelming

What brought you here today?

ADDICTION CAN AFFECT ANYONE OF ANY **AGE, RACE, ETHNICITY, OR GENDER**

EVERYONE'S JOURNEY IS **DIFFERENT**

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**IT'S IMPORTANT
TO REMEMBER
THERE IS HOPE**



Actor portrayal.

Addiction is not a personal failure

- Addiction is not a choice
- It is a chronic **disease of the brain**
- There are treatments available that can help you take positive steps toward recovery

How would you describe the disease of addiction?

TO UNDERSTAND ADDICTION,
IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND
HOW YOUR BRAIN WORKS



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YOUR BRAIN AND ADDICTION



Actor portrayal.

Knowing where addiction happens in the brain may help you and your healthcare professional make treatment choices

THERE ARE **TWO PARTS OF THE BRAIN** THOUGHT TO BE CONNECTED WITH ADDICTION

The cortex (outer layer of your brain) helps you do important things like think and plan, make decisions, and use reason to solve problems.

When you talk with a **counselor**, it's this **cortex** part of your brain that's at work.



The limbic system (part of the brain involved in behavior and emotions) makes you feel basic urges and drives, including feelings of happiness or satisfaction.

Medication for addiction targets this **limbic** part of your brain to treat addiction's physical effects on the body.

Do you feel like your urges are taking over your thoughts?



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WHY IS IT SUCH A STRUGGLE TO QUIT USING?

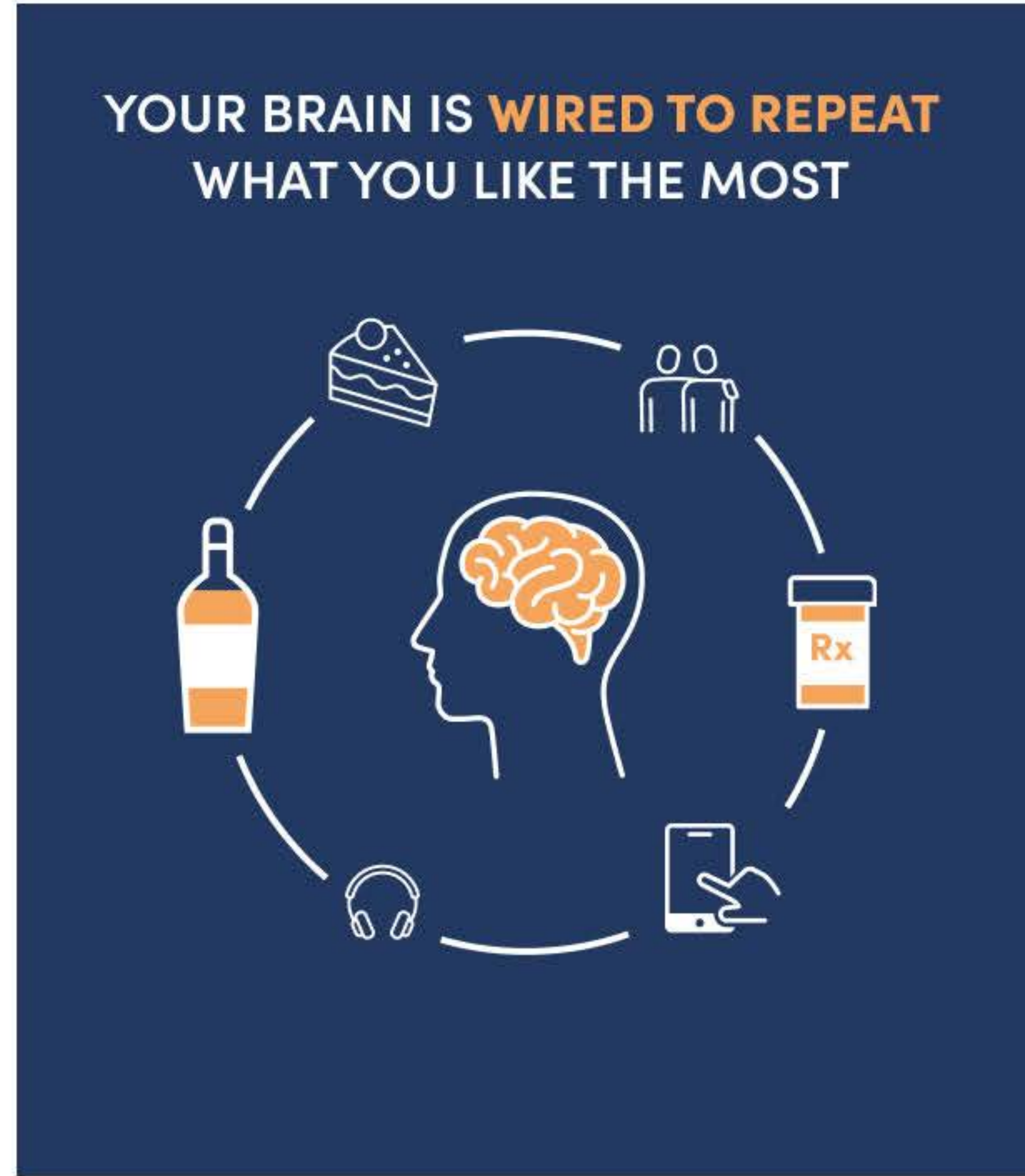


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Your brain forms habits, good and bad

- Your brain creates habits around things you enjoy doing and avoids things that cause stress
- Habits can be hard to break because our brains are wired to repeat them
- Without you even knowing it, these habits can become **harmful and overwhelming**

How do you feel when trying to avoid alcohol or drugs?



SOMETIMES, **HABITS** CAN LEAD TO ADDICTION



Dopamine's effects can hijack your brain

- **Dopamine**, a substance in your brain, gets released and makes you feel good when you do something you like
- This lets the brain know an activity is important to remember and can lead to cravings
- Intense cravings sometimes cause people to lose control and make bad choices, potentially hurting themselves and others

Have you found that willpower is not enough to overcome addiction?

ADDICTION AND ITS CRAVINGS
CAN BE LIKE SOMEONE
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YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE TODAY TO TALK ABOUT ADDICTION



Actor portrayals.

Medication combined with counseling is a proven approach to treating addiction

- Medication-assisted treatment and counseling provide a **whole-patient approach**
- Medication along with counseling may **help make changes to how your brain functions**, so you can work your recovery program

Would you like to find out more about medication-assisted treatment?

MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT IS RECOMMENDED BY THE **US SURGEON GENERAL**

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**ALONG WITH COUNSELING,
ONCE-MONTHLY*
VIVITROL® IS A
TREATMENT OPTION
FOR ALCOHOL DEPENDENCE
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WHAT IS VIVITROL® AND HOW CAN IT HELP YOU?



Actor portrayal.

Learn about a once-monthly, extended-release treatment option for alcohol dependence and opioid dependence

- VIVITROL is a shot of **naltrexone medication** that is given by a healthcare professional once a month
- Once injected, VIVITROL cannot be removed from the body and **lasts up to 1 month**—that's one less daily treatment decision—as you work your recovery program
- VIVITROL has been prescribed for alcohol dependence since 2006 and opioid dependence since 2010
- Do not receive VIVITROL if you are using or have a physical dependence on opioid-containing medicines or opioid street drugs, such as heroin, are having opioid withdrawal symptoms, or are allergic to naltrexone

ONE SHOT ONCE A MONTH
WITH COUNSELING



AS PART OF YOUR RECOVERY

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- are allergic to naltrexone or any of the ingredients in VIVITROL or the liquid used to mix VIVITROL (diluent).

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HOW DOES VIVITROL® WORK?

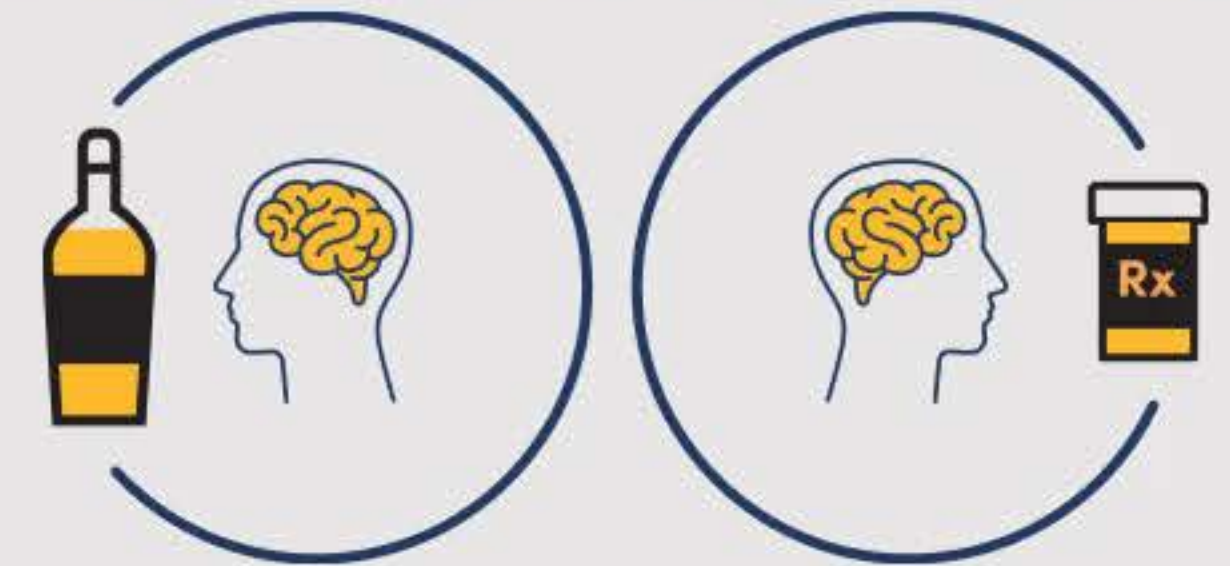


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VIVITROL and counseling may help interrupt the patterns of alcohol or opioid dependence

- VIVITROL contains naltrexone, which is a blocking medication. This blocking helps prevent you from feeling the effects of alcohol and opioids
- VIVITROL is not habit-forming and is non-narcotic
- VIVITROL does not cause an unpleasant disulfiram-like reaction (such as vomiting) as a result of using opioids or drinking alcohol

VIVITROL WITH COUNSELING MAY HELP INTERRUPT THE VICIOUS CYCLE



OF DEPENDENCY ON
ALCOHOL OR OPIOIDS

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

VIVITROL can cause serious side effects, including:

- 1. Risk of opioid overdose.** You can accidentally overdose in two ways.
 - VIVITROL blocks the effects of opioids, such as heroin or opioid pain medicines. **Do not** try to overcome this blocking effect by taking large amounts of opioids—this can lead to serious injury, coma, or death.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING INSIDE YOUR BRAIN AND BODY?



Actor portrayal.

VIVITROL® binds to receptors, blocking the effects of opioid—and possibly alcohol—use

THE BRAIN AND ALCOHOL USE

Endorphin
(Naturally Occurring Opioid)

Opioid Receptor

Alcohol use may cause a release of naturally occurring opioids called **endorphins** that bind to opioid receptors, contributing to the euphoric effects of alcohol use.

THE BRAIN AND OPIOID USE

Opioid

When **opioid** drugs are used, they bind to your body's opioid receptors, relieving pain and producing euphoria.

VIVITROL TREATMENT

VIVITROL works by binding to these opioid receptors, blocking endorphins and opioids so that you don't feel their effects. Do not try to overcome this blocking effect by taking large amounts of opioids—this can lead to serious injury, coma, or death.

Conceptual depictions. Images for illustrative purposes only.

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 - after you have gone through detoxification
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CAN VIVITROL® HELP YOU WITH ALCOHOL DEPENDENCE?



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VIVITROL and counseling may help reduce your drinking

PATIENTS IN AN OUTPATIENT SETTING HAD

**FEWER HEAVY
DRINKING DAYS
PER MONTH^a**



WITH VIVITROL AND COUNSELING
VS PLACEBO AND COUNSELING

- In a clinical study of 624 patients with alcohol dependence, those who received VIVITROL and counseling had 25% fewer heavy drinking days per month* compared with those who received a placebo (injection without medication) and counseling
- Patients were studied for 6 months in an outpatient setting
- Common side effects of VIVITROL may include nausea, sleepiness, headache, dizziness, vomiting, decreased appetite, painful joints, muscle cramps, cold symptoms, trouble sleeping, and toothache

^aHeavy drinking days were defined as 5 or more drinks per day for men and 4 or more drinks per day for women.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
VIVITROL STUDY RESULTS
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CAN VIVITROL® HELP YOU WITH OPIOID DEPENDENCE?



Actor portrayal.

VIVITROL and counseling may help to prevent relapse to opioid dependence, after opioid detoxification

MORE PATIENTS WERE
OPIOID-FREE
WITH VIVITROL AND
COUNSELING VS PLACEBO
AND COUNSELING^a



- In a 6-month clinical study of 250 patients with opioid dependence who completed opioid detoxification, 36% of patients who received VIVITROL and counseling were opioid-free versus 23% of patients with placebo (injection with no medication) and counseling^a
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IS VIVITROL[®] COVERED BY YOUR INSURANCE?



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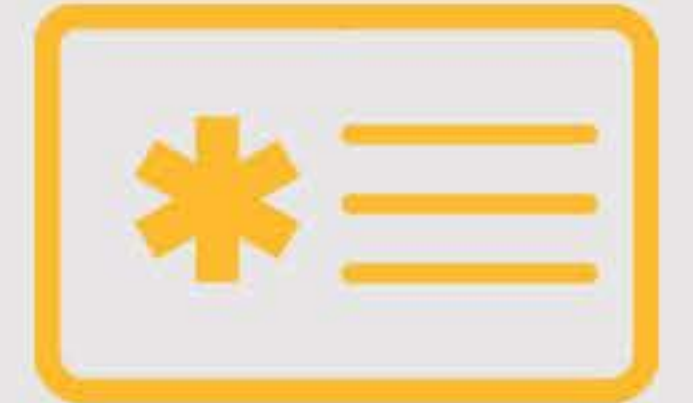
Almost all insured patients are covered for VIVITROL^a

99% OF PEOPLE
WITH ANY INSURANCE
(INCLUDING MEDICAID)
**ARE COVERED
FOR VIVITROL^a**



^aCurrent as of September 2024.

9 OUT OF **10**
VIVITROL PATIENTS
**PAY LESS
THAN \$5
OUT OF POCKET^b**



^b99% of Medicaid patients pay \$4 or less.

The VIVITROL Co-pay Savings Program^c

The VIVITROL Co-pay Savings Program covers up to \$500/month toward co-pay expenses for eligible patients with a VIVITROL prescription who have commercial insurance or no insurance.

^cTerms and Conditions

Eligible patients who have commercial insurance or no insurance may pay as little as \$0 per prescription of VIVITROL. Maximum savings per prescription is \$500 up to 12 prescriptions per calendar year, with maximum savings up to \$6,000 per calendar year. Patients' out-of-pocket expenses may vary. Offer not valid for patients enrolled in Medicare, Medicaid, or other federal or state healthcare programs. Additional terms and conditions apply.

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Alcohol
Dependence



Opioid
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**YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
DO IT ALONE**



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Get support with **Vivitrol2gether**® patient support services^a



Get **customized support** answering VIVITROL® questions



Find a **local provider**



Verify your **insurance coverage**



Learn about **transition of care** coordination



Call **1-800-VIVITROL** (1-800-848-4876), Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–8:00 PM (ET)

^aA Vivitrol2gether® Coordinator does not provide medical advice or individual patient care.

EXPLORE REAL VIVITROL PATIENT STORIES OF RECOVERY^b



“ VIVITROL and counseling have been part of my recovery journey... There are second chances. ”

Saryna's story of alcohol dependence and her experience with VIVITROL and counseling.



“ I wish I had heard about VIVITROL sooner... Having hope is the greatest thing in the world. ”

Ben's story of opioid dependence and his experience with VIVITROL and counseling.



^bFormer patients who received VIVITROL and were compensated for their time.

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3. Sudden opioid withdrawal. To avoid sudden opioid withdrawal, you must stop taking any type of opioid, including street drugs; prescription pain medicines; cough, cold, or diarrhea medicines that contain opioids; or opioid dependence treatments, including buprenorphine or methadone, **for at least 7 to 14 days** before starting VIVITROL. If your doctor decides that you don't need to complete detox first, they may give you VIVITROL in a medical facility that can treat sudden opioid withdrawal. **Sudden opioid withdrawal can be severe and may require hospitalization.**

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4. Liver damage or hepatitis. Naltrexone, the active ingredient in VIVITROL, can cause liver damage or hepatitis. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any of these symptoms during treatment with VIVITROL:

- stomach area pain lasting more than a few days
- yellowing of the whites of your eyes
- dark urine
- tiredness

Your healthcare provider may need to stop treating you with VIVITROL if you get signs or symptoms of a serious liver problem.

Before you receive VIVITROL, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- have liver problems, use or abuse street (illegal) drugs, have hemophilia or other bleeding problems, have kidney problems, or have any other medical conditions.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if VIVITROL will harm your unborn baby.
- are breastfeeding. It is not known if VIVITROL passes into your milk, and if it can harm your baby. Naltrexone, the active ingredient in VIVITROL, is the same active ingredient in tablets taken by mouth that contain naltrexone. Naltrexone from tablets passes into breast milk. Talk to your healthcare provider about whether you will breastfeed or take VIVITROL. You should not do both.

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Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Especially tell your healthcare provider if you take any opioid-containing medicines for pain, cough or colds, or diarrhea.

If you are being treated for alcohol dependence but also use or are addicted to opioid-containing medicines or opioid street drugs, it is important that you tell your healthcare provider before starting VIVITROL® to avoid having sudden opioid withdrawal symptoms when you start VIVITROL treatment.

Do not drive a car, operate machinery, or do other dangerous activities until you know how VIVITROL affects you. VIVITROL may make you feel dizzy and sleepy.

VIVITROL can cause serious side effects, including:

Depressed mood. Sometimes this leads to suicide, or suicidal thoughts, and suicidal behavior. Tell your family members and people closest to you that you are taking VIVITROL.

Pneumonia. Some people receiving VIVITROL treatment have had a type of pneumonia that is caused by an allergic reaction. If this happens to you, you may need to be treated in the hospital.

Serious allergic reactions. Serious allergic reactions can happen during or soon after an injection of VIVITROL. Tell your healthcare provider or get medical help right away if you have any of these symptoms:

- skin rash
- swelling of your face, eyes, mouth, or tongue
- trouble breathing or wheezing
- chest pain
- feeling dizzy or faint

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

Common side effects of VIVITROL® may include:

- nausea
- dizziness
- painful joints
- trouble sleeping
- sleepiness
- vomiting
- muscle cramps
- toothache
- headache
- decreased appetite
- cold symptoms

These are not all the side effects of VIVITROL. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or does not go away. You are encouraged to report all side effects to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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