

Commonly Asked Questions and Answers About Velphoro

Q. How does Velphoro work?

A. Velphoro is made from iron, so it works like a magnet, locking up the phosphorus from the food you eat. This is so that the phosphorus doesn't get into your bloodstream and cause dangerous health conditions. Always carry Velphoro with you.*

Lighten
your day the
Velphoro way



Q. Can I take Velphoro with my other medicines?

A. Yes, Velphoro can be taken with most medicines. While Velphoro does not have many drug interactions, some medicines should not be taken at the same time as Velphoro. Tell your care team about all the medicines that you are taking and they will advise you.

Q. What happens if I forget to take Velphoro with my meal?

A. If you forget to take Velphoro with your meal, do not take double the dose next time! If you miss a dose, just remember to take your usual dose of Velphoro with your next meal.

Q. What are the most common side effects of Velphoro?

A. People who take Velphoro say the most common side effect is diarrhea or loose stools. This usually occurs within the first week of treatment and goes away on its own after a short time.

Another thing that people notice is that their stools may be discolored or black. This is expected, because this is what happens when you take an oral medicine that contains iron.

*Always keep the bottle or pill container of Velphoro tightly closed. Store at room temperature, and below 87° F.

INDICATION

Velphoro® (sucroferric oxyhydroxide) is a phosphate binder indicated for the control of serum phosphorus levels in patients with chronic kidney disease on dialysis.

Please see Important Safety Information on the back page and full Prescribing Information at Velphoro.com.

 **VELPHORO**®
(sucroferric oxyhydroxide)
chewable tablets

Visit the Patient Video Center at Velphoro.com

An easy way to learn more about Velphoro is to visit the Patient Video Center at Velphoro.com. Here you can explore different topics, all presented by renal dietitians in easy-to-understand language. A Spanish video is also available.

The patient video center is easy to use. Whether you are “considering Velphoro” or “taking Velphoro,” there’s a video to help answer any questions you may have.



The list of videos includes:

- Why Velphoro may have been prescribed for you
- Why switching therapy might be right for you
- How Velphoro fits into your daily plan
- Recognizing day-to-day challenges



To see all the videos, scan the QR code with your phone’s camera, or visit Velphoro.com and click on the Video Center at the top right of the page

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- Velphoro chewable tablets must be taken with meals. Velphoro should be chewed or crushed. Do not swallow whole. Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins, and other supplements. Velphoro can interact with other medicines.
- Tell your healthcare provider if you have any of the following: peritonitis (an infection) during peritoneal dialysis, significant gastric or liver disorder, recent major gastrointestinal (GI) surgery, a history of hemochromatosis or other disease that results in iron build-up in the body. People with these conditions were not included in clinical studies with Velphoro, and your healthcare provider will monitor your iron levels while you are taking Velphoro.
- Velphoro can cause side effects. The most common side effects are discolored feces, diarrhea, and nausea. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. To report negative side effects associated with taking Velphoro, contact Fresenius Medical Care North America (FMCNA) at 1-800-323-5188. You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or visit www.fda.gov/medwatch.
- Before taking Velphoro, tell your doctor if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, or breast-feeding.

Velphoro is available by prescription only. For more information, please see full Prescribing Information at Velphoro.com.