

# Welcome to Velphoro



**Velphoro® (sucroferric oxyhydroxide)** is a phosphate binder for people with chronic kidney disease on dialysis to help control the phosphate in their blood.

## How to take Velphoro



OR



OR



**BREAK**

**CHEW**

**CRUSH**

Velphoro is easy to break, chew, or crush.

**Don't swallow it whole.** You can “break and take” just before, during, or just after a meal or snack. Always take Velphoro with meals.

If you miss a dose, take your usual dose of Velphoro with your next meal.

## Your Velphoro dosing

**TAKE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TABLETS PER:** MEAL OR DAY *(circle one)*



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Because Velphoro has so much binding power, **you'll most likely take fewer tablets than you would compared with other phosphate binders.** Most people start with 1 tablet per meal. With other binders, you might need to take up to 3-4 tablets with each meal.

**Please see Important Safety Information on the back page and accompanying full Prescribing Information.**



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

# Tips to help you remember to take Velphoro



Always carry Velphoro with you, in a Velphoro pill container.



Stash a few tablets in places like your coat pocket, purse, or backpack.\*



Keep Velphoro on your kitchen table, or on the counter.



Stick reminders on the refrigerator door and your front door.

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



Side effects of **Velphoro** are mostly mild. Most common is diarrhea, which usually goes away by itself.

The iron in Velphoro may turn your stools black. This is perfectly normal.

**If you have any questions, please talk to your doctor or healthcare provider.**

## 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](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

Before taking Velphoro, tell your doctor if you are pregnant, plan to become pregnant, or breast-feeding.

For more information, please see full Prescribing Information by visiting [www.velphoro.com](http://www.velphoro.com).



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