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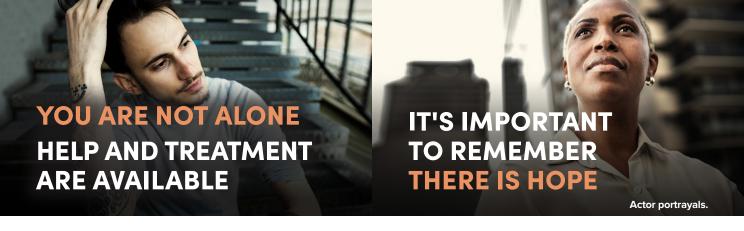
#### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**

VIVITROL can cause serious side effects, including:

- · Risk of opioid overdose.
  - 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.

Please see Important Safety Information throughout, and accompanying full Prescribing Information, including Medication Guide in pocket.





# Addiction is a vicious cycle many people struggle with

- Addiction is a chronic disease of the brain, not a personal failure
- When you do something you like, your brain releases chemicals that make you feel good and can lead to cravings
- Intense cravings sometimes cause people to lose control and make bad choices
- It can be hard to quit drinking alcohol because of the way your brain creates habits, which can sometimes lead to addiction

There are treatments available that can help you take positive steps toward recovery.

# YOUR BRAIN IS WIRED TO REPEAT WHAT YOU LIKE THE MOST

# Medication combined with counseling is a proven approach to treating addiction

Two parts of the brain are thought to be connected with addiction.

- One is the part that helps you make decisions and solve problems—when you talk with a counselor, it's this part of your brain at work
- The other part is involved in behavior and urges medication for addiction targets this part of the brain

Medication along with counseling may help make changes to how your brain functions, so you can work your recovery program.



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# Along with counseling, VIVITROL is a prescription treatment option for alcohol dependence in an outpatient setting

- VIVITROL is a shot of naltrexone medication that is given by a healthcare professional once a month
- VIVITROL 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
- · You should stop drinking before starting VIVITROL
- · 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

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

VIVITROL can cause serious side effects, including:

- · Risk of opioid overdose (continued)
  - After you receive a dose of VIVITROL, its blocking effect slowly decreases and completely goes away over time. If you have used opioid street drugs or opioid-containing medicines in the past, using opioids in amounts that you used before treatment with VIVITROL can lead to overdose and death. You may also be more sensitive to the effects of lower amounts of opioids:
    - after you have gone through detoxification
    - when your next VIVITROL dose is due
    - if you miss a dose of VIVITROL
    - after you stop VIVITROL treatment

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# **ONE SHOT ONCE A MONTH** WITH COUNSELING AS PART OF YOUR RECOVERY

- Tell your family and the people closest to you of this increased sensitivity to opioids and the risk of overdose.
- Talk to your healthcare provider about naloxone, a medicine that is available to patients for the emergency treatment of an opioid overdose.
- Call 911 or get emergency medical help right away in all cases of known or suspected opioid overdose, even if naloxone is administered.





# **VIVITROL** may help interrupt the patterns of alcohol dependence

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

Talk to your doctor to determine whether once-monthly VIVITROL may be right for you.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

VIVITROL can cause serious side effects, including:

- Severe reactions at the site of injection. Some people on VIVITROL have had severe injection site reactions, including tissue death. VIVITROL must be injected by a healthcare provider. Call your healthcare provider right away if you notice any of the following at the injection site: intense pain, the area feels hard, large area of swelling, lumps, blisters, an open wound, a dark scab, or any reaction that concerns you, gets worse over time or does not get better within two weeks.
- 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, he or she may give you VIVITROL in a medical facility that can treat

# VIVITROL WITH COUNSELING MAY HELP INTERRUPT THE VICIOUS CYCLE



OF DEPENDENCY ON ALCOHOL

## **VIVITROL WITH COUNSELING MAY HELP** REDUCE YOUR DRINKING.



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sudden opioid withdrawal. Sudden opioid withdrawal can be severe and may require hospitalization.

• Liver damage or hepatitis. Naltrexone, the active ingredient in VIVITROL, can cause liver damage or hepatitis. Tell your healthcare provider if, during treatment, you have stomach area pain lasting more than a few days, dark urine, yellowing of the whites of your eyes, or tiredness. Your healthcare provider may need to stop treatment.



# IS VIVITROL® **COVERED BY** YOUR INSURANCE?



# Almost all insured patients are covered for VIVITROL\*

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

\*Current as of April 2023.

## 9 OUT OF 10 VIVITROL PATIENTS PAY LESS THAN \$5 OUT OF POCKET

†99% of Medicaid patients pay \$4 or less.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

#### Do not receive VIVITROL if you:

- · are using or have a physical dependence on opioidcontaining medicines or opioid street drugs, such as heroin. To test for a physical dependence on opioidcontaining medicines or street drugs, your healthcare provider may give you a small injection of a medicine called naloxone. This is called a naloxone challenge test. If you get symptoms of opioid withdrawal after the naloxone challenge test, do not start treatment with VIVITROL at that time. Your healthcare provider may repeat the test after you have stopped using opioids to see whether it is safe to start VIVITROL.
- are having opioid withdrawal symptoms which may include anxiety, sleeplessness, yawning, fever, sweating, teary eyes, runny nose, goose bumps, shakiness, hot or cold flushes, muscle aches, muscle twitches, restlessness, nausea and vomiting, diarrhea, or stomach cramps.
- are allergic to naltrexone or any of the ingredients in VIVITROL or the liquid used to mix VIVITROL (diluent).

Please see Important Safety Information throughout, 8 and accompanying full Prescribing Information.

### The VIVITROL Co-pay Savings Program<sup>1</sup>

Eligible patients save up to \$500 a month by using the VIVITROL Co-pay Savings Program. The VIVITROL Co-pay Savings Program may assist eligible patients with commercial insurance and those with no insurance pay out-of-pocket costs for their VIVITROL prescriptions.

#### \*Terms 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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#### Before you receive VIVITROL, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- have liver problems, use or abuse street 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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Find a local provider



Verify your insurance coverage



Learn about transition of care coordination

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (continued)

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.

#### What should I avoid while receiving VIVITROL?

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 other serious side effects, including:

• Depressed mood, which can sometimes lead to suicide, or suicidal thoughts, and suicidal behavior. You, a family member, or the people closest to you should call your healthcare provider right away if you have these thoughts or symptoms especially if they are new, worse. or worry you.



With you along the way

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- Pneumonia caused by an allergic reaction. If this type of pneumonia happens to you, you may need to be treated in the hospital.
- Serious allergic reactions that 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.

Common side effects of VIVITROL may include nausea. sleepiness, headache, dizziness, vomiting, decreased appetite, painful joints, muscle cramps, cold symptoms, trouble sleeping, toothache

#### These are not all the side effects of VIVITROL.

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that 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.

Please see accompanying full Prescribing Information, including Medication Guide.



# TALK WITH YOUR DOCTOR TODAY TO FIND OUT IF

# ONCE-MONTHLY VIVITROL®

# **MAY BE RIGHT FOR YOU**

# EXPLORE REAL PATIENT STORIES OF RECOVERY\*

\*Former patients who received VIVITROL and were compensated for their time.





counseling have been part of my recovery journey.... There are second chances.

— Saryna, former VIVITROL patient

Individual results will vary.

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Vivitrol\*
(naltrexone for extended-release injectable suspension) 380 mg/vial



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