





# Cheng Hsin General Hospital

## Antihyperlipidemic agents - Fibrates

### Drug Information

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Generic Name	Brand Name	Dosage form	Appearance
Fenofibrate	Lipanthyl	160mg	
Gemfibrozil	Lipdown	300mg	

#### 1. Why do I need this medicine ?

Treatment for hypertriglyceridemia, hypercholesterolemia or mixed dyslipidemia. Fibrates lower triglycerides and bad cholesterol, decreasing risk of heart disease and stroke.

#### 2. How is this drug best taken?

Use this drug as ordered by your doctor. Take Lipdown<sup>®</sup> before meals.

#### 3. What are some things I need to know or do while I take this drug?

- (1) Tell your doctor if you are allergy to antihyperlipidemic agents or other drugs, or under health problems with hypothyroidism, liver, gallbladder or kidney disease.
- (2) Tell your doctor if you are under medication with anticoagulants, antihyperlipidemic agents or immunosuppressants.
- (3) Tell your doctor if you are pregnant, plan on getting pregnant, or are breast-feeding, to check the benefits and risks to you and the baby.
- (4) Return to appointments for regular check-up, lipid blood tests and liver function tests.
- (5) Follow the diet and workout plan that your doctor or dietitian told you about.

#### 4. Possible Side Effect

- (1) Common side effect: abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

(2) Many people have no side effects or only have minor side effects. If any side effects bother you or cannot be relieved, get medical help as soon as possible, for example: muscle pain, joint pain, fever, skin rash, urticaria, stomachache.

### **5. What do I do if I miss a dose?**

- (1) Take a missed dose as soon as you think about it. If it is close to the time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your normal time.
- (2) Do not take double doses at the same time or extra doses.

### **6. How do I store this drug?**

Store at room temperature in a dry place and keep out of the reach of children.

\* Please consult your doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions.

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