

Potential side effects of naltrexone (Revia®)

Below is the incidence of adverse events in patients with alcohol dependence treated with naltrexone 50 mg once daily.

How did we decide what is or is not a "side effect" of the medication?

Adverse (undesirable) events that occurred during treatment with naltrexone in placebo-controlled clinical trials are considered here to be side effects if they occurred at least in 2% of the patients.

When do we call a side effect "common"?

A side effect is considered here to be "common" if the incidence with naltrexone was at least 5%.

What "other" or "less common" side effects will we consider on this page?

Other side effects included on this page are those for which the incidence with naltrexone was at least 2%.

Note: Side effects for which the incidence with naltrexone was less than 2% are not discussed on this page.

Note: Symptoms reported by patients may be classified by the researchers into categories that could be considered to overlap, e.g., dizziness and postural hypotension.

Common side effects	Percentage of patients on naltrexone who reported it
Nausea	10%
Headache	7%
Other side effects	
Dizziness	4%
Fatigue	4%
Nervousness	4%
Sleeplessness	3%
Vomiting	3%

Anxiety	2%
Sleepiness	2%

Important! The information in this handout is for general educational purposes only and is only a partial list of the potential side effects of this medication. If you are a patient, please consult the medical professional who prescribed this medication for further information about the potential side effects of this medication. For additional important information, including about potentially serious side effects of this medication, please make sure to review the page at the link below: <https://medlineplus.gov/druginfo/meds/a685041.html>.