

# Medication Information

## Glyburide (Gly – burr – ide)

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### Other names for this medication

Diabeta®

There are many other names for this medication.

### How this medication is used

This medication is used to treat diabetes. It lowers the amount of sugar in the blood by helping the pancreas release more insulin.

**This medication is not insulin.**

### How to take this medication

Take this medication exactly as directed by your health care provider or diabetes care provider. It is best to eat at the same times each day and not to skip meals. It is best to take this medication 20 to 30 minutes before a meal.

If you miss a dose of medication and it almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular time. Do not take 2 doses at one time. Do not take a missed dose of your medication – just go back to your regular time for the next dose.

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## **How to take this medication (continued)**

This medication works better when you follow a diet and exercise program.

Your diabetes educator may ask you to test your blood sugar while you take this medication.

Check with your health care provider or pharmacist before you take any over-the-counter medications.

## **While you are taking this medication you may notice:**

- upset stomach, nausea and vomiting
- diarrhea
- low blood sugar
- weight gain

If any of these problems do not go away, call your health care provider.

Discuss a plan to manage low blood sugar and sick days with your health care provider.

## **Medical alert information**

When you have diabetes, wear or carry a Medic Alert<sup>®</sup> identification.