



AFFIX PATIENT IDENTIFICATION LABEL HERE

UMRN:

Family Name:

Given Name:

# Vitamin D

Medicine name	Strength	Example of brand		Dose directions
Vitamin D (tablets)	1000IU	OsteoD3		
		Vita-D		
Vitamin D (liquid)	0.5 mL = 200IU	Ostelin		

## English

### Vitamin D

#### Why do I need to take Vitamin D?

Your blood test has showed that you have low vitamin D levels. We need Vitamin D for strong and healthy bones. Low vitamin D levels can make bones weak in children and cause their calcium levels to be low.

Some people with low levels of vitamin D will have bone and joint pain and may get osteoporosis (weak bones that are more likely to break with falls) as they get older.

Vitamin D is found in some foods, but people get most of their vitamin D when skin is exposed to sunlight. How long you need to spend in sunlight to make enough vitamin D depends on the time of year, where you live in Australia and your skin type. You can discuss with your nurse or doctor how much time you should spend in the sun to make enough vitamin D. When spending time in the sun it is important to wear a hat and sunscreen when the ultraviolet index (UV) is high.

We have recommended that you take vitamin D supplements to increase your vitamin D level to normal levels.

#### How do I take Vitamin D?

Vitamin D is available as tablets or liquid. Your doctor or nurse will explain how much you need to take each day and how long you need to take it for and if you need any follow up blood tests.

The dose recommended is based on how low vitamin D levels and by weight for children so the doses may be different for family members.

It is important that you take the recommended amount every day.

## Swahili

### Vitamini D

#### Kwa nini ninahitaji kutumia Vitamini D?

Kipimo cha damu yako kimeonyesha kuwa una viwango vyatya chini ya Vitamini D. Tunahitaji Vitamini D ili kuwa na mifupa yenye nguvu na yenye afya. Viwango vyatya chini ya vitamini D vinaweza kufanya mifupa kuwa dhaifu kwa watoto na kusababisha viwango vyao ya kalisi kuwa chini.

Baadhi ya watu walio na viwango vyatya chini ya vitamini D watakuwa na maumivu ya mifupa na viungo na wanaweza kupata osteoporosis (mifupa dhaifu ambayo ina uwezekano mkubwa wa kuvunjika kwa kuanguka) wanapoendelea kuzeeka.

Vitamini D hupatikana katika baadhi ya vyakula, lakini watu hupata vitamini D nyingi wakati ngozi inapopigwa na mwangaza wa jua. Muda ambao unahitaji kukaa kwenye mwanga wa jua ili kutengeneza vitamini D ya kutosha inategemea wakati wa mwaka, unapoishi nchini Australia na aina ya ngozi yako. Unaweza kujadiliana na muuguzi au daktari wako kuhusu muda ambapo unapaswa kutumia kwenye jua ili kutengeneza vitamini D ya kutosha. Unapokaa kwenye jua, ni muhimu kuvali kofia na mafuta ya kuzuia jua wakati kiwango cha urujuani (UV) kiko juu.

Tumependekeza kwamba utumie virutubisho vyatya vitamini D ili kuongeza kiwango chako cha vitamini D hadi kuwa viwango vyatya kawaada.

#### Ninawezaje kutumia Vitamini D?

Vitamini D inapatikana kama vidonge au kioevu. Daktari au muuguzi wako ataeleza kiasi ambacho unahitaji kutumia kila siku na muda ambao unahitaji kuichukua na kama unahitaji vipimo vyovytote vyatya damu vyatya ufuatiliaji.

Kiwango kinachopendekezwa kinatokana na kiwango cha chini ya vitamini D na kulingana na uzito kwa watoto ili vipimo viwe tofauti kwa wanafamilia.

Ni muhimu kwamba utumie kiasi kilichopendekezwa kila siku.

## **Are there any side effects?**

There are not usually any side effects from taking vitamin D supplements. If you take more Vitamin D than has been recommended you have a risk of getting high calcium levels which can make you feel unwell with nausea, dehydration, and constipation.

***More information is available for this medicine in the form of Consumer Medicines Information (CMI). CMIs are available from hospitals, pharmacies and medical practices and from the Therapeutic Goods Administration website ([www.tga.gov.au/consumer-medicines-information-cmi](http://www.tga.gov.au/consumer-medicines-information-cmi)). The CMI contains important information about your medicine and must be read in conjunction with this leaflet***

## **Je, kuna athari zozote?**

Kawaida hakuna athari zozote zinazotokana na kutumia virutubisho vya vitamini D. Ikiwa unatumia Vitamini D zaidi ya ilivyopendekezwa, una hatari ya kupata viwango vya juu vya kalisi ambavyo vinaweza kukufanya uhisi vibaya kwa kichefuchefu, upungufu wa maji mwilini, na kufunga choo.

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