VELMETIA

Active ingredient(s): Sitagliptin (as phosphate monohydrate)/Metformin (as hydrochloride)

Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about taking VELMETIA. You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about taking VELMETIA.

Keep this leaflet with the medicine.

You may need to read it again.

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1. Why am I taking VELMETIA?

VELMETIA contains two active

ingredients: sitagliptin and metformin. Sitagliptin is a member of a class of medicines you take by mouth called DPP-4 inhibitors (dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors) and metformin which belongs to a class of medicines called biguanides. Sitagliptin and metformin work together to control blood sugar levels in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus.

VELMETIA is used to lower blood sugar levels in adults with

type 2 diabetes mellitus. VELMETIA can be taken alone or in combination with certain other medicines that lower blood sugar along with a recommended diet and exercise program.

take any medicines for any other condition

2. What should I know before I take VELMETIA?

Warnings

Do not take VELMETIA if:

- you are allergic to sitagliptin or metformin, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- Always check the ingredients to make sure you can take this medicine.

Check with your doctor if you:

- have or have had type 1 diabetes mellitus or
- have or have had increased ketones in the blood or urine (diabetic ketoacidosis).
- have or have had severe kidney
 problems
- have any liver or heart problems including congestive heart failure, or any past or present medical problems.
- drink excessive alcohol (all the time or short term "binge" drinking).
- are going to get or receive an injection of dye or contrast agent for an X-ray procedure, or if you plan to have surgery. Talk to your doctor about when to stop VELMETIA and when to start again.