

# PAROXETINE-WGR

[paroxetine (as hydrochloride)]

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## Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using PAROXETINE-WGR. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using PAROXETINE-WGR.**

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## 1. Why am I using PAROXETINE-WGR?

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**PAROXETINE-WGR contains the active ingredient paroxetine (as hydrochloride).**

PAROXETINE-WGR belongs to a group of medicines called selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) antidepressants. They are thought to work by their action on brain chemicals called amines which are involved in controlling mood.

PAROXETINE-WGR is used to treat:

- Depression which is longer lasting or more severe than the 'low moods' that everyone has

from time to time. It is thought to be caused by a chemical imbalance in part of the brain that affects your whole body and can cause emotional and physical symptoms. You may feel low in spirit, lose interest in usual activities, have poor appetite, disturbed sleep, wake up early, have low energy and feel guilty over nothing.

- Irrational fears or obsessional behaviour: These can also be due to chemical imbalance in parts of the brain.
- Panic attacks: PAROXETINE-WGR may be used to help prevent panic attacks.
- Patients who may avoid and/or are fearful of social situations.
- Patients with excessive anxiety and worry, and who feel irritable, restless and/or tense in the muscles.
- Repetitive and distressing recollections of a past traumatic event.