



HIGH RISK MEDICATION COUNSELING: CYCLINES

Doxycycline/Tetracycline

Doxycycline/Tetracycline Counseling: Risks include possible photosensitivity and increased risk for sunburn. Avoid sunlight, if possible. When exposed to sunlight, patients should wear protective clothing, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Contact our office immediately if the following severe adverse effects occur: hearing changes, easy bruising/bleeding, severe headache, or vision changes. Female patients are to avoid pregnancy while on therapy due to potential birth defects. Doxycycline/Tetracycline may decrease effectiveness of oral birth control. Doxycycline/Tetracycline should be taken with food as taking it on an empty stomach may cause nausea. Do not take within 1 hour of lying down to avoid esophageal irritation/reflux. Do not take within 2 hours of dairy products, calcium supplements, or multivitamins to prevent problems with absorption.

Minocycline

Minocycline Counseling: Risks include possible photosensitivity, dizziness, joint aches, "lupus like" symptoms, and discoloration of the teeth, skin, lips, tongue, and gums. Avoid sunlight, if possible. When exposed to sunlight, patients should wear protective clothing, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Contact our office immediately if the following severe adverse effects occur: hearing changes, easy bruising/bleeding, severe headache, or vision changes. Female patients are to avoid pregnancy while on therapy due to potential birth defects. Minocycline may decrease effectiveness of oral birth control.

Sarecycline

Sarecycline Counseling: Risks include possible photosensitivity and discoloration of the teeth, skin, lips, tongue, and gums. Avoid sunlight, if possible. When exposed to sunlight, patients should wear protective clothing, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Contact our office immediately if the following severe adverse effects occur: hearing changes, easy bruising/bleeding, severe headaches, or vision changes. Female patients are to avoid pregnancy while on therapy due to potential birth defects. Sarecycline may decrease effectiveness of oral birth control.