# WELCOME TO THE OVICENTE

For the 100 million adults living with obesity, the time has come for change 1,2,a





See how your guidance can make an impact



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How much weight loss can make a clinically meaningful difference?

<sup>a</sup>Adults aged ≥20 years in the United States.



# Critical time IN THE FIGHT AGAINST OBESITY

# Your guidance can make a difference

Patients lost

**5X** more weight

with HCP counseling than with a self-directed program<sup>4,a</sup>

# Why is weight regain so common? The body fights back

AFTER WEIGHT LOSS



Appetite hormones increase hunger and decrease satiety as early as 10 weeks after weight loss<sup>5</sup>

THE RESULT

Efforts that had been working may not continue to produce weight loss

# Diet and exercise alone may not be enough for lasting results

Patients may regain

30%-40%

of the weight they've lost<sup>6,b</sup>

# How can pharmacotherapy help?

Patients have been shown to

# lose more weight

when adding pharmacotherapy to lifestyle modification<sup>7</sup>



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A weight loss of **5% or more** 

has been shown to have a clinically meaningful impact on<sup>8</sup>



BLOOD PRESSURE



CHOLESTEROL LEVELS



TRIGLYCERIDE LEVELS



<sup>a</sup>A randomized, controlled study of 415 patients with obesity showed that patients lost more weight with HCP counseling, weight-loss coaches, and web-based support (5.2% weight loss) when compared with a self-directed program (1.1% weight loss) at 24 months.<sup>4</sup>

bFrom a 2-year study of 307 adults with a BMI of 30 to 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> randomly assigned to a low-carbohydrate diet or a low-fat diet. Both groups participated in a comprehensive lifestyle modification program.<sup>6</sup>



Treating obesity, one patient at a time

Your patient is joining over one million others<sup>a</sup> who have used Saxenda<sup>®9</sup>

# **Indications and Usage**

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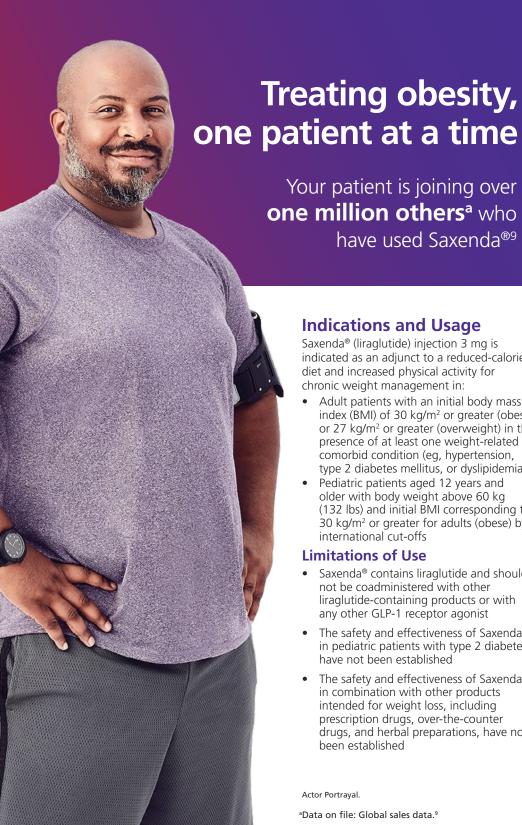
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**Understanding the** weight-management cycle to help patients<sup>9</sup>



**Defining moment:** 

The patient has made up their mind. It's time to do this.

**Consideration:** 

The patient is feeling determined, and is ready to consider options available and choose one to help them reach their goal.

Momentum:

The patient sees a difference in their weight and so do others, which makes them feel motivated

Plateau:

DOSING

It's getting harder, and the patient is frustrated because they are not losing weight anymore. This is often where patients find it hard to follow their plans and may revert back to their

NOTE: Hitting a plateau should not be seen as a failure because the patient is still maintaining weight loss. This is an opportunity for you to help them make adjustments in medication, meal planning, and exercise plans.

Collapse:

The patient is tired of this. They can't keep it up, so they stop and it's a relief to not try so hard.

Fatique:

The patient feels exhausted and sad. They don't even want to think about their weight right now.

Source: Ethnographic Weight-Loss Patient Journey Study. Novo Nordisk Inc. Custom Research January 2015.

## **MAKE A PLAN**

Working with your patients to create, monitor, and adjust their plan over time is an important part of weight management. Discuss with your patients where they are in the weight-management cycle.

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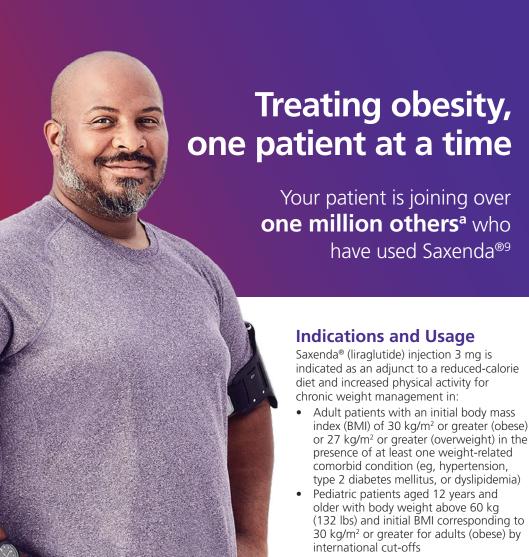
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How much weight can patients expect to lose with Saxenda®?

> Patients on Saxenda® who completed the 1-year study achieved and maintained<sup>9,10</sup>:

achieved by patients on Saxenda® who

completed the study from baseline

Results with placebo: 3.5% mean reduction from baseline body weight and a mean weight loss of 8 lb

• Mean baseline body weight was 233.9 lb and mean baseline BMI was 38.3 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

In a 56-week study of 3,731 patients without type 2 diabetes and with a BMI ≥30, or ≥27 with at least 1 weight-related comorbidity, patients were randomized to either Saxenda® (n=2,487) or placebo (n=1,244), with all patients receiving a reduced-calorie diet (~500 kcal/day deficit) and physical activity counseling.

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- Patients with a serious hypersensitivity reaction to liraglutide or to any of the excipients in Saxenda®. Serious hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylactic reactions and angioedema have been reported with Saxenda®
- Pregnancy

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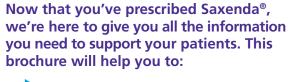
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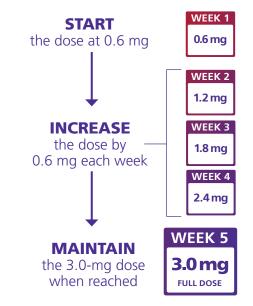
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# The Saxenda® dosing schedule

Patients should follow a 4-week dose escalation to reach the clinically efficacious 3-mg dose<sup>10</sup>



If adult patients cannot tolerate an increased dose during dose escalation, consider delaying escalation for approximately 1 week. If an adult patient cannot tolerate the 3-mg dose, discontinue treatment.<sup>10</sup>

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# Warnings and Precautions (cont'd)

- Acute Pancreatitis: Acute pancreatitis, including fatal and non-fatal hemorrhagic or necrotizing pancreatitis, has been observed in patients treated with liraglutide postmarketing. Observe patients carefully for signs and symptoms of pancreatitis (persistent severe abdominal pain, sometimes radiating to the back with or without vomiting). If pancreatitis is suspected, discontinue Saxenda® promptly and if pancreatitis is confirmed, do not restart
- Acute Gallbladder Disease: Substantial or rapid weight loss can increase the risk of cholelithiasis; however, the incidence of acute gallbladder disease was greater in patients treated with Saxenda® than with placebo even after accounting for the degree of weight loss. If cholelithiasis is suspected, gallbladder studies and appropriate clinical follow-up are indicated



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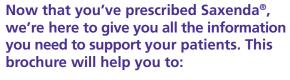
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# Safety and tolerability of Saxenda®

The most common adverse events reported in ≥5% of adult patients<sup>10,a</sup>

N=3,384

| Nausea                               | 39.3% | Dyspepsia               | 9.6% |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|------|
| Diarrhea                             | 20.9% | Fatigue                 | 7.5% |
| Constipation                         | 19.4% | Dizziness               | 6.9% |
| Vomiting                             | 15.7% | Abdominal pain          | 5.4% |
| Injection site reaction <sup>b</sup> | 13.9% | Increased lipase        | 5.3% |
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| Headache                             | 13.6% | Upper abdominal<br>pain | 5.1% |
| Hypoglycemia <sup>c</sup>            | 12.6% | Gastroenteritis         | 4.7% |

<sup>a</sup>Adverse reactions for trials with treatment period up to 56 weeks.

bThe most common reactions included erythema, pruritus, and rash at the injection site.

<sup>c</sup>Defined as blood glucose <54 mg/dL with or without symptoms of hypoglycemia in patients with type 2 diabetes not on concomitant insulin.

Encourage patients to contact you if they have any side effects that bother them or don't go away.

Please see full **Prescribing Information** for the complete list of adverse events and clinical trial study designs.

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- **Heart Rate Increase:** Mean increases in resting heart rate of 2 to 3 beats per minute (bpm) were observed in patients treated with Saxenda®. Monitor heart rate at regular intervals and inform patients to report palpitations or feelings of a racing heartbeat while at rest during treatment with Saxenda®. Discontinue Saxenda® in patients who experience a sustained increase in resting heart rate

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# Tips for managing nausea in patients

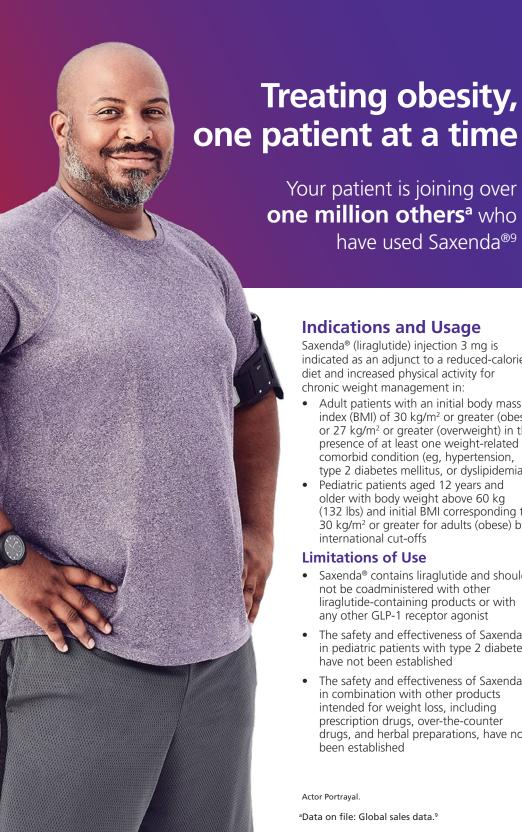
The most common side effect a patient may experience when they first start Saxenda® is nausea. This usually improves as their body adjusts to treatment.<sup>10</sup>

If patients do experience nausea, there are some general recommendations that they can follow. You can advise them to 12:

- Eat bland, low-fat foods, like crackers, toast, and rice
- Eat foods that contain water, like soups and gelatin
- Avoid lying down after they eat
- Go outside to get some fresh air

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# Get patients started in 3 steps

1 Verify

DOSING

2 Initiate

3 Start

# **Step 1** Verify pharmacy benefits

- With your patient's **pharmacy prescription card** info on hand, visit **SaxendaCoverage.com** to find out your patient's coverage and estimated out-of-pocket costs
- If your patient is not covered for Saxenda®, **DO NOT** start the PA process and ask your patient to contact their human resources department to request coverage

# **Step 2** Initiate the PA process

- Visit **CoverMyMeds.com** to start the PA process
- A follow-up PA may be required at **16 weeks** to verify that the patient has achieved at least 4% loss of baseline body weight

# **Step 3** Start your patient on Saxenda®

- Once the PA is initiated, give your patient the Saxenda® prescription (don't forget one for the needles, if required) and a Saxenda® Sample Kit (available through a Novo Nordisk representative)
- Prior to the pharmacy visit, direct your patient to **Saxenda.com** to activate a Saxenda® Savings Card. Patients may be able to save on their Saxenda® prescriptiona

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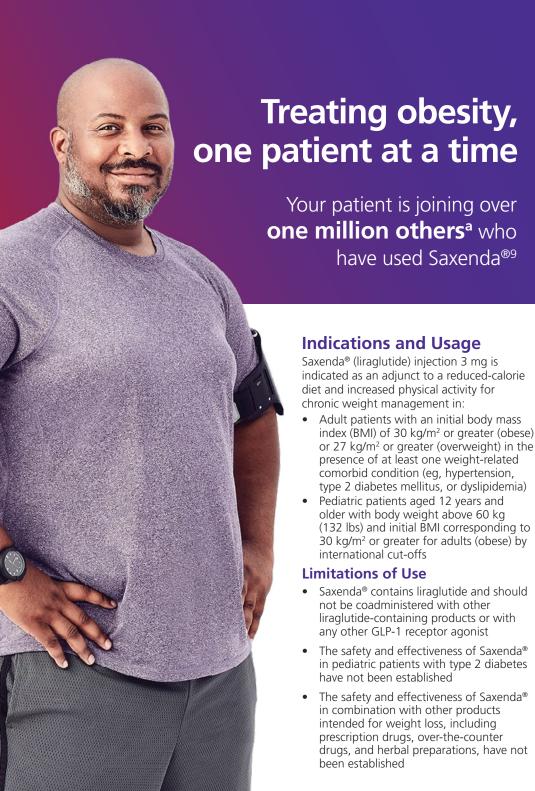
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- **Hypersensitivity Reactions:** Serious hypersensitivity reactions (eg, anaphylaxis and angioedema) have been reported in patients treated with Saxenda®. If a hypersensitivity reaction occurs, patients should stop taking Saxenda® and promptly seek medical advice

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# Writing a Saxenda® prescription

Using your EHR system, prescribe Saxenda® and NovoFine® 32G Tip needles, including the 4-week dose escalation

# **ePrescribing Information**

Saxenda®

Form/strength: 18 mg/3 mL

Quantity: 15 mL

Dosage form: Solution, NDC 0169-2800-15

NovoFine® 32G Tip needle

Quantity: 1 box (#100)

Dosage form: Disposable needles,

NDC 0169-1851-89

Starting on Saxenda® (4-week dose escalation)

sig: Week 1 – 0.6 mg SC once daily x 7 days Week 2 – 1.2 mg SC once daily x 7 days Week 3 – 1.8 mg SC once daily x 7 days Week 4 – 2.4 mg SC once daily x 7 days Week 5 – 3.0 mg SC once daily x 7 days

Staying on Saxenda® (disp: 5 pens)

sig: 3.0 mg SC once daily



# Important Safety Information (cont'd)

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• Suicidal Behavior and Ideation: In adult clinical trials, 9 (0.3%) of 3,384 patients treated with Saxenda® and 2 (0.1%) of the 1,941 treated with placebo reported suicidal ideation; one of the Saxenda® treated patients attempted suicide. In a pediatric trial, 1(0.8%) of the 125 Saxenda® treated patients died by suicide. There was insufficient information to establish a causal relationship to Saxenda®. Monitor patients for the emergence or worsening of depression, suicidal thoughts or behavior, and/or any unusual changes in mood or behavior. Discontinue treatment if patients experience suicidal thoughts or behaviors. Avoid Saxenda® in patients with a history of suicidal attempts or active suicidal ideation

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# Call the Saxenda® Hotline to:

- Get answers to your questions about taking Saxenda®
- Learn about your Saxenda® pen

Discover support today by calling the Saxenda® Hotline at 1(844) 845-6913

Visit <u>Saxenda.com</u> to find more information.

Remember to talk with your health care provider about making lifestyle changes, like increasing physical activity and eating fewer calories.

# Important Safety Information (cont'd)

#### **Adverse Reactions**

 The most common adverse reactions, reported in ≥5% are nausea, diarrhea, constipation, vomiting, injection site reactions, headache, hypoglycemia, dyspepsia, fatigue, dizziness, abdominal pain, increased lipase, upper abdominal pain, pyrexia, and gastroenteritis

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# Follow-ups are key for achieving long-term results

Use this timeline as a guide to develop a 1-year Saxenda® treatment plan for your patient

| TODAY              | Prescribe Saxenda®  At this initial visit with your patient, make sure to:  Demonstrate proper injection technique in the office Discuss potential side effects Explain dose escalation Encourage enrollment in SaxendaCare®, our free support program that offers weight-management strategies, as well as the guidance of live coaches or Noom® Schedule a follow-up at 2-8 weeks before the patient leaves the office |  |  |
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| <b>2-8</b> WEEKS   | Use this first follow-up to check in with your patient and:  □ Evaluate initial progress and monitor for side effects  □ Discuss adherence to therapy, including proper titration  □ Schedule a follow-up before the patient leaves the office   |  |  |
| 16 WEEKS           | An important benchmark for measuring weight-loss progress  During this visit with your patient, make sure to:  □ Evaluate change in body weight from baseline □ Initiate PA reauthorization if required  Note: If a patient has not lost ≥4% of baseline body weight by Week 16, discontinue Saxenda® as it is unlikely the patient will achieve and sustain clinically meaningful weight loss with continued treatment  |  |  |
| <b>20-48</b> WEEKS | Remain an active part of your patient's weight-management journey Make sure to:  Follow up regularly, and consider calling your patient to check in periodically Schedule follow-ups every 4-8 weeks Encourage your patient to reach out with questions or concerns  |  |  |
| 52 WEEKS           | Your patient has completed 1 year of treatment  It's time to celebrate how far they've come and plan for the future. Make sure to:  □ Evaluate change in body weight from baseline □ Speak to your patient about the importance of maintaining this weight loss □ Emphasize staying on therapy to help maintain weight loss  |  |  |

Please visit
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for more resources and information to help you guide your patients with their weight management

# Important Safety Information (cont'd) Use in Specific Populations

- There are no data on the presence of liraglutide in human breast milk; liraglutide was present in the milk of lactating rats
- Saxenda® has not been studied in patients less than 12 years of age
- Saxenda® slows gastric emptying. Saxenda® has not been studied in patients with preexisting gastroparesis

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