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Taking Vraylar safely

cariprazine · once a day, with or without food

3 MISTAKES TO AVOID

1 Changing the dose on your own
It stays in your body a long time. Side effects can start weeks later.

2 Missing changes in mood
Age 24 and younger: watch for suicidal thoughts. Call or text 988.

3 Starting a new medicine without checking
Some medicines raise Vraylar levels; others are not recommended.

How to take it

- **1 capsule each day, with or without food.** For schizophrenia (13 and older), bipolar I disorder, and with an antidepressant for depression.
- **Don't change the dose or stop** without talking to your provider.
- **Side effects can start weeks** after you begin or after a dose increase. Report restlessness, shaking, stiffness, slow movements or sleepiness.

Check with us first (mistake #3)

- **Strong CYP3A4 blockers** like ketoconazole raise Vraylar levels; your dose may be lowered.
- **Medicines that speed up CYP3A4** are not recommended with Vraylar.
- Tell us about every prescription, OTC medicine, vitamin and herbal product.

Thoughts of suicide? Call or text **988**, any time. Also call the provider right away for new or worse depression, anxiety, panic attacks, trouble sleeping, anger, or dangerous impulses.

EMERGENCY: CALL 911
High fever, stiff muscles, confusion, heavy sweating, breathing, heart rate or blood pressure changes (possible NMS): go to the nearest emergency room.

Call your provider if you notice

- Feeling very thirsty or hungry, urinating more, feeling weak or confused (high blood sugar)
- Face or tongue movements you can't control

IMPORTANT
Boxed warning: not for older adults with dementia-related psychosis. In them, medicines like Vraylar raise the risk of death.

Don't drive until you know how it affects you. Don't get too hot or dehydrated. Stand up slowly. **Pregnant, planning to be, or breastfeeding?** Talk with your provider.

Questions? Ask Dr. Mike at fairviewpharm.com/medications

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