

# What You Need to Know About AVEED® Treatment: A Patient Guide

**Patients:** Go over this Patient Guide with your healthcare provider.

- Ask any questions you have each time you get an AVEED injection.
- Keep this important safety information about the serious risks of AVEED.

**Healthcare Providers:** Review this Patient Guide with your patients before each injection

- Give them a copy to take home.
- On the back of this sheet, record the time the patient received AVEED and the time 30 minutes later when they can leave.

## What is AVEED?

AVEED is a prescription medicine that contains testosterone. AVEED is used to treat adult men who don't make enough male hormone. You and your healthcare provider have determined that AVEED is an appropriate treatment for you. It is not known if AVEED is safe or effective to treat men who have low testosterone due to aging or for use in children younger than 18 years old.

AVEED contains testosterone in castor oil. Your healthcare provider will inject AVEED in the muscle of your buttocks. AVEED is then slowly released from your muscle into your body. You can only get AVEED in your doctor's office, clinic, or hospital because of the possible serious side effects.

## What are the Most Serious Side Effects with AVEED Treatment?

- **Pulmonary oil microembolism (POME), a serious lung problem.** Tiny droplets of the castor oil in AVEED could travel from your muscle to your lungs after you get AVEED treatment. You can have symptoms such as coughing, trouble breathing, chest pain, or other symptoms. POME is not a blood clot that travels to your lungs.
- **Severe or life-threatening allergic reaction (anaphylaxis).** Signs and symptoms of a life-threatening allergic reaction are listed below.

These reactions can occur with any AVEED injection during your treatment, even if you have not had a reaction occur before.

**Each time you get AVEED, stay in the doctor's office, clinic, or hospital for 30 minutes to be sure you do not have symptoms of POME or a severe allergic reaction.**

## What are the Signs and Symptoms of POME or Severe Allergic Reactions After Receiving AVEED?

POME and a severe allergic reaction can have the same symptoms, which may include one or more of the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- trouble breathing</li> <li>- tightness in your throat</li> <li>- hoarseness or trouble speaking</li> <li>- chest pain</li> <li>- feeling very sweaty</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- swelling of your face, tongue or throat</li> <li>- feeling unwell</li> <li>- feeling dizzy or fainting</li> <li>- coughing or feeling the need to cough</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- itching, rash, or hives</li> <li>- numbness and tingling in your arms</li> <li>- stomach pain or vomiting</li> <li>- feeling flushed</li> </ul> |
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- **If you have any signs or symptoms of a serious reaction, get medical help right away:**
  - **During the 30-minute wait:** Tell your healthcare provider about your symptoms.
  - **After you leave the doctor's office, clinic, or hospital:** Follow your healthcare provider's instructions on getting emergency medical care.

These are **NOT** all the possible side effects of AVEED. See the AVEED Medication Guide that you were given or talk to your healthcare provider for medical advice about other side effects.

## What Can I Do to Help Reduce the Risks of AVEED?

1. Tell your healthcare provider if you have ever had an allergic reaction to AVEED or any of its ingredients.

The ingredients in AVEED are:

- testosterone undecanoate
- castor oil
- benzyl benzoate

2. Know the signs and symptoms of POME and a severe allergic reaction.

3. **Each time you get AVEED treatment, stay in the doctor's office, clinic, or hospital for 30 minutes to be sure you do not have symptoms of POME or a severe allergic reaction. Check with your healthcare provider before leaving the office, clinic, or hospital.**

## How Often Will I Receive an Injection of AVEED?

You will get 1 injection when you start, 1 injection 4 weeks later, and then 1 injection every 10 weeks thereafter.

## Where Can I Get More Information on AVEED?

- Your healthcare provider will give you the AVEED Medication Guide to read each time you get an AVEED injection.
- You can also find additional information at [www.AveedREMS.com](http://www.AveedREMS.com) or
- Contact the AVEED REMS Program at **1-855-755-0494**.

## Injection Tracking Sheet

Use this tracking sheet so you know when 30 minutes have passed since your AVEED injection. If you have no symptoms of POME or a severe allergic reaction, check with your healthcare provider before you leave.

<i>Healthcare Professional to Complete</i>		
Time I received the Injection	How long I need to wait in the office	Time I can leave the office
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