

# What to expect for your first treatment

**Nucala**   
**(mepolizumab)**  
for Subcutaneous Injection  
100 mg/vial

NUCALA is different from other asthma medications you've taken. It's not an inhaler or a steroid. It's an injection you get at your doctor's office every 4 weeks.

NUCALA is an add-on, prescription maintenance treatment for patients 12 and older with severe eosinophilic asthma. NUCALA is not used to treat sudden breathing problems.

NUCALA is injected just under the skin (subcutaneously) in the upper arm, thigh, or abdomen.

NUCALA works over time, so you may not feel any immediate improvement. It's important to keep receiving NUCALA as prescribed by your doctor even if you start feeling better. If you miss an appointment for any reason, please reschedule it as soon as possible.

## Questions? Write them here.

As you prepare to begin treatment with NUCALA, you may have a lot of questions. Write those questions below. Then, bring this with you to your first appointment. Your doctor or a staff member will be able to help answer your questions.

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## Important Safety Information

**Do not use NUCALA** if you are allergic to mepolizumab or any of the ingredients in NUCALA.

Do not use to treat sudden breathing problems.

**NUCALA can cause serious side effects, including:**

- **allergic (hypersensitivity) reactions, including anaphylaxis.** Serious allergic reactions can happen after you get your injection of NUCALA. Allergic reactions can sometimes happen hours or days after you get a dose of NUCALA. Tell your healthcare provider or get emergency help right away if you have any of the following symptoms of an allergic reaction:
  - swelling of your face, mouth, and tongue
  - breathing problems
  - fainting, dizziness, feeling light-headed (low blood pressure)
  - rash
  - hives
- **Herpes zoster infections** that can cause shingles have happened in people who received NUCALA.

Please see additional **Important Safety Information on the reverse side.**

Please see accompanying **Important Facts about NUCALA.**



## TIPS

**Wear loose-fitting clothes.** You'll receive your injection of NUCALA in the upper arm, thigh, or abdomen. Be sure that you're able to easily and comfortably adjust or remove clothing as needed to get to the injection site.

## Bring a book or tablet.

Once you receive your injection, you will be asked to stay in the office so your doctor can monitor you for any allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis. Use this time to catch up on your reading or social media. Then you'll be able to leave, although sometimes serious allergic reactions can occur hours or days later.

# Specialty Pharmacy Network

This list of specialty pharmacies currently filling prescriptions for NUCALA is for your reference. The pharmacy used for your prescription will depend on your health insurance plan.

**AcariaHealth (Centene)**

acariahealth.com  
800-511-5144

**Avella**

avella.com  
877-546-5779

**Diplomat**

diplomat.is  
877-977-9118

**Accredo Health Group, Inc.**

accredo.com  
877-ACCREDITO (877-222-7336)

**BriovaRX (affiliate of OptumRx)**

briovarx.com  
855-4BRIOVA (855-427-4682)

**For Humana Pharmacy, Inc. (Humana)**

humanapharmacy.com/specialty  
800-486-2668

**Aetna Specialty Pharmacy**

aetnaspecialtyrx.com  
866-782-2779

**Cigna Specialty Pharmacy Services**

cigna.com/specialty-pharmacy-services  
800-351-3606

**Kroger Specialty Pharmacy**

krogerspecialtypharmacy.com  
888-355-4191

**AllianceRx Walgreens-Prime**

walgreenshealth.com  
888-347-3416

**CVS Health/CVS Specialty Pharmacy**

cvsspecialty.com  
800-237-2767

**SenderraRx**

sendarrarx.com  
888-777-5547

## Important Safety Information (cont'd)

**Before receiving NUCALA, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:**

- are taking oral or inhaled corticosteroid medicines. **Do not** stop taking your other asthma medicines, including your corticosteroid medicines, unless instructed by your healthcare provider because this may cause other symptoms to come back.
- have a parasitic (helminth) infection.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if NUCALA may harm your unborn baby.
  - A pregnancy registry for women who receive NUCALA while pregnant collects information about the health of you and your baby. You can talk to your healthcare provider about how to take part in this registry or you can get more information and register by calling 1-877-311-8972 or visit [www.mothersbaby.org/asthma](http://www.mothersbaby.org/asthma).
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. You and your healthcare provider should decide if you will use NUCALA and breastfeed. You should not do both without talking with your healthcare provider first.
- are taking prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

**The most common side effects of NUCALA include:** headache, injection site reactions (pain, redness, swelling, itching, or a burning feeling at the injection site), back pain, and weakness (fatigue).

**Please see additional Important Safety Information on the reverse side.**

**Please see accompanying Important Facts about NUCALA.**

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch), or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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# Important Facts about NUCALA

Read this brief summary carefully before receiving NUCALA for the first time and each time you receive a new dose. There may be new information. This summary does not take the place of talking to your healthcare provider (HCP) about your medical condition or treatment.

## What is NUCALA?

NUCALA is a prescription medicine used with other asthma medicines for the maintenance treatment of asthma in people aged 12 years and older, whose asthma is not controlled with their current asthma medicines. NUCALA helps prevent severe asthma attacks (exacerbations). Medicines such as NUCALA reduce blood eosinophils. Eosinophils are a type of white blood cell that may contribute to your asthma.

- NUCALA is not used to treat sudden breathing problems.

It is not known if NUCALA is safe and effective in children under 12 years of age.

**Do not use NUCALA** if you are allergic to mepolizumab or any of the ingredients in NUCALA. See the end of this summary for a complete list of ingredients in NUCALA.

**Before receiving NUCALA, tell your healthcare provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:**

- have a parasitic (helminth) infection.
- are taking oral or inhaled corticosteroid medicines. **Do not** stop taking your corticosteroid medicines unless instructed by your HCP. This may cause other symptoms that were controlled by the corticosteroid medicine to come back.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if NUCALA may harm your unborn baby.
  - **Pregnancy Registry.** There is a pregnancy registry for women who receive NUCALA while pregnant. The purpose of the registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. You can talk to your HCP about how to take part in this registry or you can get more information and register by calling 1-877-311-8972, or go to [www.mothertobaby.org/asthma](http://www.mothertobaby.org/asthma).
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. You and your HCP should decide if you will use NUCALA and breastfeed. You should not do both without talking with your HCP first.
- Tell your HCP about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.
- Do not stop taking your other asthma medicines unless instructed to do so by your HCP.

## How will I receive NUCALA?

An HCP will inject NUCALA under your skin (subcutaneously) 1 time every 4 weeks.

## What are the possible side effects of NUCALA?

**NUCALA can cause serious side effects, including:**

- **allergic (hypersensitivity) reactions, including anaphylaxis.** Serious reactions can happen after you get your NUCALA injection. Allergic reactions can sometimes happen hours or days after you get a dose of NUCALA. Tell your HCP or get emergency help right away if you have any of the following symptoms of an allergic reaction: swelling of your face, mouth, and tongue; breathing problems; fainting, dizziness, light-headedness (low blood pressure); rash; hives.
- **Herpes zoster infections** that can cause shingles have happened in people who received NUCALA.

**The most common side effects of NUCALA include:** headache, injection site reactions (pain, redness, swelling, itching, or a burning feeling at the injection site), back pain, weakness (fatigue).

These are not all the possible side effects of NUCALA. Call your HCP for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to the FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

## What are the ingredients in NUCALA?

**Active ingredient:** mepolizumab.

**Inactive ingredients:** polysorbate 80, sodium phosphate dibasic heptahydrate, and sucrose.

The information provided here is not comprehensive. Ask your HCP for additional information about NUCALA. You can also contact the company that makes NUCALA (toll free) at 1-888-825-5249 or at [www.NUCALA.com](http://www.NUCALA.com).

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