

# **GUIDE FOR PATIENTS AND/OR CAREGIVERS**

This card is provided only as a guide to avoid medication errors. Before using Suliqua®, you must be trained on how to use the Suliqua SoloStar® pen by your doctor, nurse or pharmacist, and you must carefully read the patient leaflet and the instructions for use accompanying the pen.

Keep this card. You may need to refer to it again. Write your name on this card:

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE PENS**

SULIQUA is available in 2 pre-filled pens containing 2 different strengths of lixisenatide, and different dose ranges of insulin glargine 100 units/mL. Your healthcare professional has prescribed one of the pens described below that is right for your insulin needs.

SULIQUA pre-filled pens simultaneously deliver insulin glargine and lixisenatide in a single, once-daily injection.

### **SULIQUA 10-40 PEN**

SULIQUA 100 UNITS/mL + 50 MICROGRAMS/mL SOLUTION FOR INJECTION IN A PRE-FILLED PEN



- Insulin glargine (100 units/mL): 10 40 Units/day
- Lixisenatide (50 mcg/mL): 5 20 mcg/day
- This pen allows a single once-daily injection of a dose between 10 and 40 dose steps
- This pen is peach coloured with an orange injection button

#### **SULIQUA 30-60 PEN**

SULIQUA 100 UNITS/mL + 33 MICROGRAMS/mL SOLUTION FOR INJECTION IN A PRE-FILLED PEN



- Insulin glargine (100 units/mL): 30 60 Units/day
- Lixisenatide (33 mcg/mL): 10 20 mcg/day
- This pen allows a single once-daily injection of a dose between 30 and 60 dose steps
- This pen is olive coloured with a brown injection button
- The prescription should mention which pre-filled pen type you need (the SULIQUA 100/33] pen or the SULIQUA [100/50] pen) and the number of dose steps to be injected. You will receive an olive coloured pen if you are prescribed a 100/33 pen and a peach coloured pen if you are prescribed a 100/50 pen.
- Check with your pharmacist if the pen is a different colour than the one you are used to.
- One dose step contains one unit of insulin glargine 100 units/mL plus a corresponding amount of lixisenatide. Before you use SULIQUA, be clear on how many dose steps you require. Your doctor, nurse or pharmacist provided you with this information.
- The dose pointer of the pre-filled pen device shows the number of dose steps to be injected.





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#### **TAKE NOTE:**

- SULIQUA is supplied in a pre-filled pen and must only be used with this device otherwise dosing errors and serious harm can result. Patients, caregivers, and healthcare professionals must never use a syringe to withdraw SULIQUA from a pre-filled pen. Ask your doctor, nurse or pharmacist if you need further guidance on how to use the pen correctly
- A new needle must always be attached before each use. Needles must not be re-used.
- For SULIQUA, one dose step always contains one unit of insulin glargine 100 units/mL, regardless of the SULIQUA pre-filled pen being used.
- Your doctor, nurse or pharmacist can explain the design and features of your SULIQUA SoloStar® pen, including how the dose counter of the pre-filled pen device shows the number of dose steps to be injected.
- During the switch to this type of combination medicine and in the weeks after the switch, you should measure your blood sugar levels more frequently. You doctor will provide recommendations on how to make dose adjustments based on your fasting plasma glucose.
- If you have any questions about your treatment, speak to your doctor, nurse or pharmacist.

# **BEFORE INJECTING SULIQUA**



Carefully read the instructions for use and the patient information leaflet provided.



If you do not follow all of these instructions, you may get too much or too little medication.

Please report suspected side effects to the MHRA through the Yellow Card scheme. You can report via:

- the Yellow Card website www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard
- the free Yellow Card app available from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store

Alternatively, you can report side effects to the Yellow Card scheme by calling 0800 731 6789 for free, Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm. You can leave a message outside of these hours.

When reporting, please provide as much information as possible. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

Side effects should also be reported to Sanofi: Tel: 0800 0902314. email: UK-drugsafety@sanofi.com

