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Uses

Metformin is used with a proper diet and exercise program and possibly with other medications to control high blood sugar. It is used in patients with type 2 diabetes. Controlling high blood sugar helps prevent kidney damage, blindness, nerve problems, loss of limbs, and sexual function problems. Proper control of diabetes may also lessen your risk of a heart attack or stroke. Metformin works by helping to improve blood sugar (glucose) in adults with type 2 diabetes. It should be used along with diet and exercise.

OTHER USES: This section contains uses of this drug that are not listed in the approved professional labeling for the drug but may be prescribed by your health care professional. Use this drug for a condition that is listed in this section only if it has been so prescribed by your health care professional.

Metformin may be used with lifestyle changes such as diet and exercise to prevent diabetes in people who are at high risk for becoming diabetic. It is also used in women with a certain disease of the ovaries (polycystic ovarian syndrome). Metformin may make menstrual cycles more regular and increase fertility.

How to use metformin

Read the Patient Information Leaflet if available from your pharmacist before you start taking metformin and each time you get a refill. If you have any questions, consult your doctor or pharmacist.

Take this medication by mouth as directed by your doctor, usually 1-3 times a day with meals. Drink plenty of fluids while taking this medication unless otherwise directed by your doctor.
I can’t straighten my fingers because I have Dupuytren’s contracture

Wondering if XIAFLEX® is right for you? Learn more about XIAFLEX®, a nonsurgical treatment option for Dupuytren’s contracture.

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WHAT IS XIAFLEX®?

XIAFLEX® is a prescription medicine used to treat adults with Dupuytren’s contracture when a "cord" can be felt. It is not known if XIAFLEX® is safe and effective in children under the age of 18.

I want to check interactions with this medicine

Visit the webmd.com/drug interactions page to check for interactions with XIAFLEX®.