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## Naproxen

## NAPROXEN

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COMMON BRAND NAME(S): Anaprox (Http://Www.Webmd.Com/Drugs/Mono-1289-NAPROXEN++ORAL.Asp?Drugid=10989&Drugname=Anaprox+Oral), Naprosyn (Http://Www.Webmd.Com/Drugs/Mono-1289-NAPROXEN++ORAL.Asp?Drugid=1705&Drugname=Naprosyn+Oral)

GENERIC NAME(S): NAPROXEN

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WARNINGS: Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (including naproxen)

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## Uses

Naproxen is used to relieve pain from various conditions such as headaches (http://www.webmd.com/migraines-headaches/default.htm), muscle aches, tendonitis (http://www.webmd.com/fitness-exercise/arthritis-tendinitis), dental pain, and menstrual cramps (http://www.webmd.com/pain-management/muscle-spasms-cramps-charley-horse). It also reduces pain, swelling, and joint stiffness (http://www.webmd.com/rheumatoid-arthritis/guide/joint-stiffness-and-rheumatoid-arthritis) caused by arthritis (http://www.webmd.com/arthritis/default.htm), bursitis (http://www.webmd.com/pain-management/arthritis-bursitis), and gout (http://www.webmd.com/arthritis/arthritis-gout) attacks. This medication (http://www.webmd.com/drugs/index-drugs.aspx) is known as a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID). It works by blocking your body's production of certain natural substances that cause inflammation (http://www.webmd.com/arthritis/about-inflammation).

If you are treating a chronic condition such as arthritis (http://www.webmd.com/arthritis/video/rippe-arthritis-any-age), ask your doctor about non-drug treatments and/or using other medications to treat your pain. See also Warning section.

## How to use naproxen

Read the Medication Guide provided by your pharmacist before you start using naproxen and each time you get a refill. If you have any questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

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Take this medication by mouth (<http://www.webmd.com/oral-health/anatomy-of-the-mouth>) as directed by your doctor, usually 2 or 3 times a day with a full glass of water (8 ounces/240 milliliters). Do not lie down for at least 10 minutes after taking this drug. To prevent stomach upset, take this medication with food, milk, or an antacid.

The dosage is based on your medical condition and response to treatment. To reduce your risk of stomach bleeding and other side effects, take this medication at the lowest effective dose for the shortest possible time. Do not increase your dose or take this drug more often than directed. For ongoing conditions such as arthritis, continue taking this medication as directed by your doctor.

For certain conditions (such as arthritis), it may take up to two weeks of taking this drug regularly until you get the full benefit.

If you are taking this drug "as needed" (not on a regular schedule), remember that pain medications work best if they are used as the first signs of pain (<http://www.webmd.com/pain-management/guide/pain-management-symptoms-types>) occur. If you wait until the pain has worsened, the medication may not work as well.

Tell your doctor if your condition does not improve or if it worsens.

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