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***INFORMATION SHEET  
for the use of GEODON***

**GEODON** is an atypical antipsychotic medication approved by FDA for the treatment of:

- Schizophrenia
- Agitation
- Bipolar disorder, Depression
- Psychosis

**GEODON** has also been used successfully and frequently OFF LABEL by many community physicians on multitude of patients for treatment of

- Autistic disorder; Pervasive developmental disorder
- Anxiety and panic disorder.
- Obsessive-compulsive disorder
- Tourette's syndrome, tics
- Aggressive and rage behavior disorder

**GEODON** may cause RARE but SERIOUS side effects such as:

- Low blood pressure, fainting, heart failure and even death (mainly in the elderly);
- Diabetes and elevated blood sugar level
- Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome (high fever, rigidity, muscle disruption, kidney failure, abnormal heart beat) , rare in children
- Movement disorders:
  - Tardive dyskinesia (weird facial tics and twitches, and uncontrollable tongue rolling and bending), more common in elderly, very rare in children.
  - Tremor, rigidity (rare)
- Seizures; Stroke; Death (rare)
- Allergic reaction, severe toxic skin rash

there are OCCASIONAL NON-LIFE THREATENING reactions reported by the **GEODON** users such as:

- Weight gain
- Insomnia or somnolence, increased dream activity, agitation, tremor, headache,
- Dry mouth, nausea/vomiting, constipation, elevated liver enzymes
- menstrual irregularity, high prolactin level, galactorrhea (milk discharge from nipples), priapism (painful erection) [*in adults, rare*]
- Elevated blood glucose, cholesterol levels, hyperlipidemia