

Renal Services

Isoniazid: information for kidney transplant patients

What is Isoniazid used for?

You are more at risk of infections when your immune system is suppressed. You may be at risk of tuberculosis (TB) infection if you have had TB in the past. Isoniazid is used to prevent TB infection.

How does Isoniazid work?

Isoniazid prevents TB bacteria levels from increasing and causing infection.

How to take Isoniazid

Not everyone will need to take Isoniazid. Your doctor will decide whether you need Isoniazid. This will depend on if you are considered at risk of TB infection.

You will take 2 tablets a day for the first 9 months after your transplant. Isoniazid is available as 100mg tablets.

Side effects

- You may get an upset stomach with sickness.
- You may get dry mouth or constipation.
- You may feel a “tingling” sensation in your hands and feet. Your doctor will give you tablets to prevent this.



Patient Information

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