

Using Haloperidol (Haldol) to Treat Symptoms

Doctors might give you a medicine called haloperidol, which is also known by the brand name Haldol. It is a safe and helpful medicine for treating agitation, restlessness, confusion, nausea and vomiting.

Haloperidol is available in a liquid form. This guide talks about the kind of liquid haloperidol that has 2 mg in every 1 ml of liquid (called 2 mg/ml).

How to take it

You can take lorazepam by putting it under your tongue or between your cheek and gums. It can also be mixed with a little water, juice, or soft food like applesauce.

How to measure your dose

Your nurse will tell you how much haloperidol to take and how often to take it.

Your nurse might give you oral syringes (syringes without needles) with the right amount of haloperidol already in them. You could also get an empty syringe to fill them yourself. The table below shows how much lorazepam is in each amount of liquid and how far to fill the syringe for each dose.

Dosing table for morphine 20 mg/ml

| Dose of lorazepam (mg): | Amount of liquid (ml): | Fill the syringe: |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0.5 mg | 0.25 ml | Half way between 0.2 and 0.3 |
| 1 mg | 0.5 ml | To the 0.5 mark |
| 2 mg | 1.0 ml | To the 1.0 mark |

Picture of oral syringe showing haloperidol (Haldol) doses

