

**tenofovir (Rx)**

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*Func. class.:* Antiretroviral*Chem. class.:* Nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor (NRTI)

**ACTION:** Inhibits replication of HIV virus by competing with the natural substrate and then incorporating into cellular DNA by viral reverse transcriptase, thereby terminating cellular DNA chain

**USES:** HIV-1 infection with at least 2 other antiretrovirals, hepatitis B

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Hypersensitivity

**Black Box Warning:** Lactic acidosis

**Precautions:** Pregnancy, breastfeeding, children, geriatric patients, renal disease, CCr <60 mL/min, osteoporosis, immune reconstitution syndrome

**Black Box Warning:** Hepatic disease, hepatitis

**DOSAGE AND ROUTES****Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection**

- **Adult/adolescent/child weighing  $\geq 35$  kg:** PO Tablet: 300 mg once daily; Oral powder 300 mg/day (7.5 scoops) with 2-4 oz soft food
- **Adolescent/child weighing 28-34 kg:** PO Tablet: 250 mg/day
- **Child  $\geq 2$  yr and weighing 22-27 kg:** PO Tablet: 200 mg/day
- **Child  $\geq 2$  yr and weighing 17-21 kg:** PO Tablet: 150 mg/day
- **Child/adolescent  $\geq 2$  yr and weighing <35 kg:** PO Oral powder: 8 mg/kg/dose daily with 2-4 oz soft food. Round dose to nearest 20-mg increment

**Renal dose (tenofovir DF)**

- **Adult: PO CCr 30-49 mL/min, 300 mg q48hr; CCr 10-29 mL/min, 300 mg**

**q72-96hr; CCr <10 mL/min, not recommended**

**Renal dose (tenofovir alafenamide)**

- **Adult: PO CCr <15 mL/min: not recommended**

**Available forms:** Tabs 150, 200, 250, 300 mg; oral powder 40 mg/scoop

**Administer:**

- Without regard to food
- Store at 25° C (77° F)
- **Oral powder:** use scoop provided, mix powder into 2-4 oz ( $1/4$ - $1/2$  cup) of applesauce, yogurt, do not mix with liquid, product will not mix, product is bitter, use immediately after mixing, clean scoop

**SIDE EFFECTS****CNS:** Headache, asthenia**GI:** Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, anorexia, flatulence, abdominal pain, pancreatitis**GU:** Renal failure, renal tubular acidosis/necrosis, Fanconi's syndrome**HEMA:** Neutropenia, osteopenia**INTEG:** Rash, angioedema**META:** Lactic acidosis, hypokalemia, hypophosphatemia**MS:** Arthralgia, myalgia, decreased bone mineral density**SYST:** Lipodystrophy**PHARMACOKINETICS**

Rapidly absorbed, distributed to extravascular space, excreted unchanged in urine 70%-80%, terminal half-life 17 hr, peak 1-2 hr

**INTERACTIONS**

**Increase:** tenofovir level—cidofovir, acyclovir, valACYclovir, ganciclovir, valGANCiclovir

**Increase:** level of didanosine when given with tenofovir

**Increase:** tenofovir level—any product that decreases renal function

**NURSING CONSIDERATIONS****Assess:**

- Viral load, CD4+ T-cell count, plasma HIV RNA, serum creatinine/BUN/phosphate
- Resistance testing at start of therapy and at treatment failure