

1292 venlafaxine

- **Skin reactions:** assess for skin reaction
- **Pregnancy/breastfeeding:** identify whether pregnancy is planned or suspected; do not use in pregnancy; avoid breastfeeding

Evaluate:

- Decreased spread of malignancy

Teach patient/family:

- That missed doses can be taken up to 4 hr before the next dose is due to maintain the twice-daily regimen; that if vomiting occurs, do not retake dose, take next dose as scheduled
- To notify prescriber of new skin lesions
- To avoid sun exposure; to wear sunscreen, protective clothing
- **Hepatotoxicity:** To notify health care professional of yellow skin, eyes, dark urine, clay-colored stool, nausea/vomiting, pain in right side of abdomen
- **Allergic reactions:** To report rash, trouble breathing, swelling of face, lips, blisters
- To discuss with health care professional all RX, OTC, herbals, supplements taken
- **Pregnancy:** to use reliable contraception; that both women and men of childbearing age should use adequate contraceptive methods during therapy and for at least 90 days after completing treatment

RARELY USED

venetoclax

(veh-neh'toh-klax)

Venclexta 

Func. class.: Antineoplastic, signal transduction inhibitor

USES: Treatment of CLL in patients with a 17p deletion who have received at least 1 prior therapy

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

Hypersensitivity, pregnancy

DOSAGE AND ROUTES

- **Adult: PO** Initially, 20 mg/day \times 7 days, increase dose qwk \times 5 wk: wk 2,

50 mg/day; wk 3, 100 mg/day; wk 4, 200 mg/day; wk 5 and beyond, 400 mg/day. Continue therapy until disease progression. A dose reduction and/or therapy interruption may be necessary in patients who develop toxicity

venlafaxine (Rx)

(ven-la-fax'een)

Effexor XR

Func. class.: Antidepressant—SNRI

Chem. class.: SNRI

ACTION: Potent inhibitor of neuronal serotonin and norepinephrine uptake, weak inhibitor of dopamine; no muscarinic, histaminergic, or α -adrenergic receptors in vitro

USES: Prevention/treatment of major depression; depression at the end of life; long-term treatment of general anxiety disorder, panic disorder, social anxiety disorder (Effexor XR only)

Unlabeled uses: Hot flashes, premenstrual dysphoric disorder (PMDD), headache, neuropathic pain, fibromyalgia, diabetic neuropathy

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Hypersensitivity, MAOIs

Precautions: Pregnancy, breastfeeding, geriatric patients, mania, hypertension, seizure disorder, recent MI, cardiac/renal/hepatic disease, eosinophilic pneumonia, desvenlafaxine hypersensitivity, bipolar disorder, interstitial lung disease

Black Box Warning: Children, suicidal ideation

DOSAGE AND ROUTES

Major Depression

- **Adult: PO** 75 mg/day in 2-3 divided doses; taken with food, may be increased to 150 mg/day; if needed, may be further increased to 225 mg/day; increments of 75 mg/day at intervals of \geq 4 days; some hospi-