



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Product Overview

### **What is Gvoke™ Pre-Filled Syringe (PFS)?**

Glucagon is a hormone that works with your body to bring up your blood sugar to safe levels.<sup>1</sup> Gvoke PFS is a single-use glucagon syringe used to treat very low blood sugar in adults and kids with diabetes ages 2 and above. Gvoke is premixed, prefilled, premeasured, and ready to use.<sup>2</sup>

### **Who is at risk of severe low blood sugar?**

Patients with diabetes on insulin are at risk of severe low blood sugar.<sup>3</sup>

### **When should I use Gvoke?**

Gvoke is used to treat very low blood sugar (severe hypoglycemia) and should be used if you or your child<sup>4</sup>:

1. Have tried consuming food or drinks that are high in sugar and your/their blood sugar levels haven't improved
2. Are unable to eat sugar or sugar-sweetened products
3. Are having a seizure
4. Lose consciousness

### **Are there any side effects with Gvoke?**

The most common side effects of Gvoke are nausea, vomiting, headache, temporary high blood sugar, pain or redness at the injection site, itching, stomach pain, and allergic reactions to glucagon or to one of the inactive ingredients in Gvoke.<sup>2</sup>

Of the side effects seen in adults, 81% were mild in nature, as were 83% of the side effects seen in people <18 years of age.<sup>5</sup>

### **How is Gvoke different from a traditional glucagon kit?**

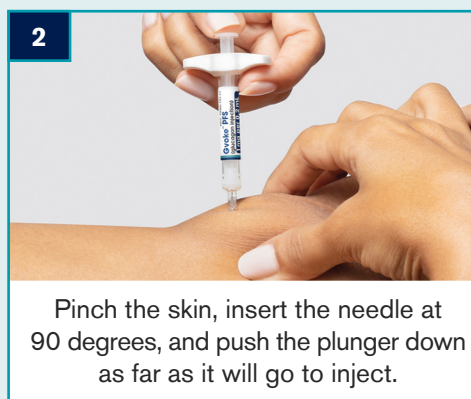
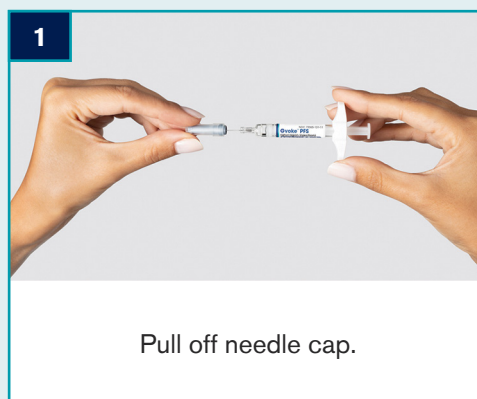
Gvoke is premixed, prefilled, and premeasured. It is also available as a 0.5 mg/0.1 mL kids dose and 1 mg/0.2 mL adult dose.<sup>2</sup>

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## Product Usage

### How do you use Gvoke PFS?<sup>2,4</sup>



**After using Gvoke PFS, turn person on his or her side and call for emergency medical help.**

### Can Gvoke be injected through clothing?

No, Gvoke should only be injected directly on exposed skin.<sup>4</sup>

### Why do I need to call emergency medical help after using Gvoke?

It is recommended that anyone who suffers a severe hypoglycemic event seek help afterwards to check for proper glucose levels and to plan future treatment adjustments.<sup>2,4</sup>

## Dosing Options

### Is there a Gvoke available specifically for kids?

Yes, there is a kids-specific dose. Gvoke is available in a 0.5 mg/0.1 mL dose for kids <12 years of age. For children under 12 years of age who weigh  $\geq 100$  lbs, a 1 mg/0.2 mL dose is recommended.<sup>2</sup>

Talk to your doctor about which dose is appropriate for your child.<sup>2</sup>

### What doses are available for adolescents and adults?

Gvoke is available in a 1 mg/0.2 mL dose for adolescent and adult patients  $\geq 12$  years of age.<sup>2</sup>



## Storage and Handling

### How should I store Gvoke?

Gvoke should be stored in the original foil pouch until time of use and should be kept at room temperature: 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F). Do not refrigerate or freeze Gvoke.<sup>2</sup>

### What is the shelf life of Gvoke?

Gvoke can be stored in the original packaging for up to 2 years from the date of manufacture. You should always check the expiration date on the label to make sure that your Gvoke has not expired.<sup>2,5</sup>

### Can I store Gvoke in the refrigerator?

No, do not refrigerate or freeze Gvoke. Gvoke should be stored at room temperature.<sup>2</sup>

### Can I still use Gvoke if I remove it from the pouch but don't use it right away?

Gvoke should be kept in the original sealed foil pouch to protect it from light and moisture until time of use. If removed from the foil pouch and not used immediately as directed, please contact your physician to obtain a new prescription for Gvoke.<sup>4</sup> Properly dispose of the opened Gvoke in a sharps container after the replacement arrives.<sup>4</sup>

### How should Gvoke be discarded?

After use, Gvoke should be kept in a safe place until it can be disposed of into an FDA-cleared sharps container.<sup>4</sup>

## Cost and Access

### Can Xeris help me with the cost of Gvoke?

If you have commercial insurance, you may be eligible for financial assistance with the Gvoke Copay Card.\*

Xeris also offers a Patient Assistance Program to assist qualifying patients who can't afford their medications in obtaining Gvoke at no cost. Please call 1-800-myGvoke (1-800-694-8653) for more information.

\*Terms and conditions may apply. Please visit [GvokeGlucagon.com](http://GvokeGlucagon.com) for more information.

### How can I get Gvoke?

Gvoke will be available with a prescription at your local pharmacy, as well as through home delivery. If you are interested in home delivery, you can place an order at [GvokeGlucagon.com](http://GvokeGlucagon.com).

## INDICATION AND SAFETY SUMMARY

GVOKE is a prescription medicine used to treat very low blood sugar (severe hypoglycemia) in adults and kids with diabetes ages 2 years and above. It is not known if GVOKE is safe and effective in children under 2 years of age.

## WARNINGS

Do not use GVOKE if:

- you have a tumor in the gland on top of your kidneys (adrenal gland), called a pheochromocytoma.
- you have a tumor in your pancreas, called either an insulinoma or a glucagonoma.
- you are allergic to glucagon or any other inactive ingredient in GVOKE.

## GVOKE MAY CAUSE SERIOUS SIDE EFFECTS, INCLUDING:

**High blood pressure.** GVOKE can cause high blood pressure in certain people with tumors in their adrenal glands.

**Low blood sugar.** GVOKE can cause low blood sugar in certain people with tumors in their pancreas.

**Serious skin rash.** GVOKE can cause a serious skin rash in certain people with a tumor in their pancreas called a glucagonoma.

**Serious allergic reaction.** Call your doctor or **get medical help right away** if you have a serious allergic reaction including:

- rash
- difficulty breathing
- low blood pressure

## COMMON SIDE EFFECTS

**The most common side effects of GVOKE include:**

- nausea
- vomiting
- swelling at the injection site
- headache

These are not all the possible side effects of GVOKE. For more information, ask your doctor. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. **You are encouraged to report side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch), or call 1-800-FDA-1088.**

## BEFORE USING

Before using GVOKE, tell your doctor about all your medical conditions, including if you:

- have a tumor in your pancreas
- have not had food or water for a long time (prolonged fasting or starvation)

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

## HOW TO USE

- Read the detailed Instructions For Use that come with GVOKE.
- Make sure your caregiver knows where you keep your GVOKE and how to use GVOKE correctly before you need their help.
- Your doctor will tell you how and when to use GVOKE.
- GVOKE contains only 1 dose of medicine and cannot be reused.
- After administering GVOKE, the caregiver should call for emergency medical help right away.
- If the person does not respond after 15 minutes, another dose may be given.
- Tell your doctor each time you use GVOKE.
- Store GVOKE at temperatures between 68°F and 77°F. Do not keep it in the refrigerator or let it freeze.
- Keep GVOKE in the foil pouch until you are ready to use it.

**Keep GVOKE and all medicines out of the reach of children.**

For more information, call 1-877-937-4737 or go to [www.GvokeGlucagon.com](http://www.GvokeGlucagon.com).

Please see the **Important Facts about Gvoke.**

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