

**Rx**

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**Oct. 3 3 pm at Parc**

**1499b Queen W.**



**Mild Adverse Effects**  
 Allergic Reactions: Generalized itching, skin  
 Other Reactions  
 Headache, dizziness, †drowsiness, †sluggishness, twitching, blurred vision.  
 Irregular pulse, heart palpitation.  
 Loss of appetite, nausea, †vomiting, †diarrhea

**Serious Adverse Effects**  
 Severe, involuntary, spasmodic movements, ataxia, staggering gait.  
 Blackout spells, epileptic-like seizures.  
 Loss of bladder or rectal control.

**CAUTION**

- This drug has a very narrow margin of safety. The dose to be effective is quite close to the level at which adverse effects occur. Careful dosage adjustments based on periodic blood levels are mandatory. Follow instructions on administration and drug dosage.
- Many over-the-counter (OTC) medications may interact unfavorably with this drug. Consult your physician before taking new medication of any kind.

**Precautions for Use by Infants and Children**  
 Initial dose should be low—not over 450 mg. Increase dose at weekly intervals in steps of 100 mg until a blood level of 1.0 mEq/L is reached.

†May be an early sign of lithium toxicity, indicating the need for dosage adjustment.

propranolol  
 propiomazine  
 thietilperazine  
 thioridazine  
 trifluoperazine  
 trifluopromazine  
 trimeprazine



BRAND NAMES	BRAND NAMES	BRAND NAMES	BRAND NAMES
Mebutal	Miltown	Akineton	Dopar
Sandoctal	Serax	Lopopa	Kemadrin
	Trancopal	Lopopa	Larodopa
			Levodopa

**PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**

## THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE ARE WE GOING TO LOSE IT?

The Mental Health Act guarantees our right to choose whether or not to take medication. That right is under attack.

Some politicians have been persuaded that forcing individuals to stay on medication is good for them. And those same politicians believe that even after we're discharged from hospital, a leash should be put on us so that we can be dragged back again.

Let's talk about this threat. We've asked Mary Beth Valentine, Coordinator of the Psychiatric Patient Advocate Office, and David Reville, M.P.P. and a former patient to tell us what they think.

A FREE HOT MEAL WILL BE SERVED

Note: this forum should be of special interest to consumers but workers and therapists are also welcome.

**Haloperidol**  
 Possible Adverse Effects  
**IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING YOUR PHYSICIAN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**  
 Mild Adverse Effects  
 Marked drowsiness, weakness, muscle stiffness of mouth, blurred or double vision, Deep sleep progressing to coma, weak breathing, very low blood pressure, etc.  
 Severe Adverse Effects  
 Stiffness of neck, rigidity of muscles, wave-like movements of neck and trunk, loss of consciousness, coma, respiratory depression, etc.  
 Contraindications While Taking  
 Chlorpromazine  
 Discontinue drug and notify physician if you experience any of the following symptoms.  
 You Need to Know for Safe Drug Use

NAMES	Adviseability of Use During Pregnancy Category:
Presamin	A
Sinequan	B
Surmontil	C
Tofranil	D
Vivacril	E