

Medsafe Clozapine Survey 2023: Survey questions for individuals who take clozapine, whānau, family and/or caregiver of an individual who takes clozapine

Question	Answer
Page 1: Your details	
What is your name?	Please answer below
What is your email address (or other contact details)?	Please answer below
What is your ethnicity?	Please answer below
Please select from below which best describes you.	Individual who takes clozapine
riease select nom below which best describes you.	 Whānau, family and/or caregiver of an individual who takes
	clozapine
	Medical doctor
	Pharmacist
	Nurse
	Other healthcare professional
We intend to publish the submissions from this survey, but we	You may publish this submission.
will only publish your submission if you give permission. We will	Do not publish this submission.
remove personal details such as email addresses and the names	
of individuals, and any other information that you tell us to	
remove. If you do not want your submission published, please let	
us know below.	
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subject to requests made under the Official Information Act	Include my personal details in responses to Official Information Act requests
(even if it hasn't been published). If you want your personal	 Act requests Remove my personal details from responses to Official
details removed from your submission, please let us know	Information Act requests
below. We will take this into account when responding to	mornation Act requests
requests under the Official Information Act.	
Please let us know any other information that you would like us	Please provide your answer below
to remove from your response.	
Page 2: General questions	
Which best describes you and how you take medicines, including	I look after my medicines myself
clozapine? You may click more than one answer.	• I have help with my medicines from my whānau, family and/or
	caregivers
	• I have help with my medicines from my mental health team
	I am in hospital and have help with my medicines from nurses or
	other healthcare professionals
Approvimately, how long have you been taking closening	None of the above: please tell us more below
Approximately, how long have you been taking clozapine regularly (i.e., without stopping)?	 Less than 3 months Between 3 months and 12 months
regularly (I.e., without stopping)?	
	Between 1 and 5 yearsMore than 5 years
	 I am not sure
Page 3: Interaction with healthcare professionals	
Which healthcare professionals do you see when taking	Doctor
clozapine? You may select more than one answer.	Nurse
	Pharmacist
	Mental health team
	Support worker
	Social worker
	Other healthcare professional: please tell us more below
When do you see your doctor about clozapine?	Every week
	Every 4 weeks or monthly
	Every 3 months
	I am not sure



	Other: please tell us more below
When do you see a pharmacist to collect clozapine?	• Every week
	• Every 4 weeks
	Every 3 months
	Someone else collects my medicines for me or my medicines are
	delivered
	I am not sure
	Other: please tell us more below
Page 4: Side effects of clozapine	
Where do you find information about possible clozapine side	Medicine information leaflets
effects? You may click more than one option.	Asking healthcare professionals
	 Asking whānau, family and/or caregivers
	Social media
	I am not sure
	Other: please tell us more below
If you experience a possible side effect from clozapine, who do	Doctor
you usually talk to? You may click more than one option.	Nurse
, , , ,	Pharmacist
	Mental health team
	Whānau, family and/or caregivers
	I am not sure
	Other people: please tell us more below
Which side effect of clozapine would you usually tell someone	 Not able to pass a bowel motion (constipation)
about? You may click more than one option.	 A high temperature or feeling unwell
about: You may click more than one option.	 An infection
	Feeling sleepy
	Saliva problems
	Heart problems, such as palpitations or chest pain
	I am not sure
	Other side effects: please tell us more below
Do healthcare professionals ask you about possible side effects	• Yes
of clozapine?	• No
	I am not sure
Have you reported a side effect to the Centre for Adverse	• Yes
Reactions Monitoring (CARM) New Zealand?	• No
	I am not sure
Page 5: Constipation and clozapine	
Have you ever experienced constipation with clozapine?	• Yes
(Constipation is when you struggle to pass a bowel motion)	• No
	I am not sure
Do you take medicines to help with constipation?	• Yes
	• No
	I am not sure
If yes, how often do you take them?	Every day
	Most days
	• 1 - 2 times a week
	I am not sure
	Other: please tell us more below
Have you ever had to interrupt or stop your clozapine treatment	• Yes
due to constipation or bowel problems?	• No
	 I am not sure
	If you would like to tell us more, please do this below
Page 6: Blood tests and clozapine	
When do you currently have blood tests for clozapine?	Weakly
when do you currently have blood lests for clozapine:	Weekly Fortricktly
	Fortnightly
	Every 4 weeks



	I am not sure
Have you ever had to interrupt or stop your clozapine treatment	Yes
due to a blood test result?	• No
	I am not sure
	If you would like to tell us more, please do this below
Do you experience any difficulties getting a regular blood test?	Yes
	• No
	I am not sure
	If you selected yes, if able, please provide more information below
Would you like to make any changes to the blood testing	Yes
requirements for clozapine?	• No
	I am not sure
	If you would like to provide any further information to your answer
	above, please provide this below
Page 7: Feedback	
Do you have any other feedback or information about clozapine	Please provide your answer below.
that you would like to tell us?	

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