

# YERVOY<sup>®</sup> (ipilimumab)

## Patient Alert Card

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### Important Information for Patients

Carry this card with you at all times to inform healthcare professionals that you are receiving treatment with ipilimumab alone.

 If you have any signs or symptoms, tell your doctor right away.

#### POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

##### BOWEL AND STOMACH



- diarrhoea (watery, loose or soft stools), bloody or dark-coloured stools
- more frequent bowel movements than usual
- pain or tenderness in your stomach or abdomen area, nausea, vomiting

##### LIVER



- eye or skin yellowing (jaundice)
- pain on the right side of your stomach area
- dark urine

##### SKIN



- skin rash with or without itching, dry skin
- blisters and/or peeling of the skin, mouth sores
- swelling of the face or lymph glands

##### EYE



- redness in the eye
- pain in the eye
- vision problems or blurry vision

##### NERVES



- muscle weakness
- numbness or tingling in legs, arms or face
- dizziness, loss of consciousness or difficulty waking up

##### GENERAL



- fever, headache, tiredness
- bleeding
- behavioural changes (e.g. less sex drive, being irritable or forgetful)
- dehydration, low blood pressure

Reporting of side effects: If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in the package leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via HPRA Pharmacovigilance at [www.hpra.ie](http://www.hpra.ie). By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine. Side effects should also be reported to Bristol-Myers Squibb Medical Information on 1 800 749 749 or [medical.information@bms.com](mailto:medical.information@bms.com).

 **IMPORTANT**

- Tell your doctor of any previous medical conditions.
- Early treatment of side effects reduces the likelihood that ipilimumab treatment will need to be temporarily or permanently stopped.
- Signs and symptoms that may appear mild can quickly worsen if left untreated.
- DO NOT try to treat these symptoms yourself.
- Signs and symptoms may be delayed and may occur weeks to months after your last ipilimumab injection.

For more information, read the ipilimumab Package Leaflet at [www.medicines.ie](http://www.medicines.ie) or call Medical Information on 1 800 749 749 for more information.

**My Doctor's Contact Information (who prescribed ipilimumab)**

Name of Doctor: .....

Office Phone: .....

After-Hours Phone: .....

**My Contact Information**

My Name and Phone: .....

Caregiver Name and Phone (in case of emergency): .....

 **IMPORTANT Information for Healthcare Professionals**

- This patient is treated with **ipilimumab** monotherapy.
- Immune-related adverse reactions (irARs) may appear at any time during treatment or months after its discontinuation.
- Early diagnosis and appropriate management are essential to minimise life-threatening complications.
- Consultation with an oncologist or other medical specialist may be helpful for management of organ-specific irARs.
- Healthcare professionals should refer to the ipilimumab Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) at [www.medicines.ie](http://www.medicines.ie) or call Medical Information on 1 800 749 749 for more information.

 **The healthcare professional treating this patient with ipilimumab** should complete the **'My Doctor's Contact Information'** section of this Patient Alert Card.