

How do I get a zoledronic acid infusion?

This handout is for you if you have chosen zoledronic acid for your osteoporosis treatment. Zoledronic acid is given to you as an intravenous (IV) infusion. It is not given in Calgary hospitals or at the Dr. David Hanley Osteoporosis Centre. You can get the infusion through an 'Infusion Program'.

The first step is to get a zoledronic acid 5 mg prescription from your family doctor. Choose one of the following brands:

- Dr. Reddys®
- Taro®
- Aclasta®

You may want to ask about cost differences between the brands. Your family physician can help you with any insurance paperwork.

Once you have your prescription, contact the right 'Infusion Program' for your brand and book an appointment.

- Dr. Reddys® and Taro® call "Infuze" at 1-877-767-2260
- Aclasta® call "For My Bones" at 1-877-580-5338

Fill the prescription at your pharmacy and take the zoledronic acid to your infusion appointment.

The above steps must be completed for each infusion. Infusion Programs do not send out reminders. Contact your family doctor for prescription renewal.

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