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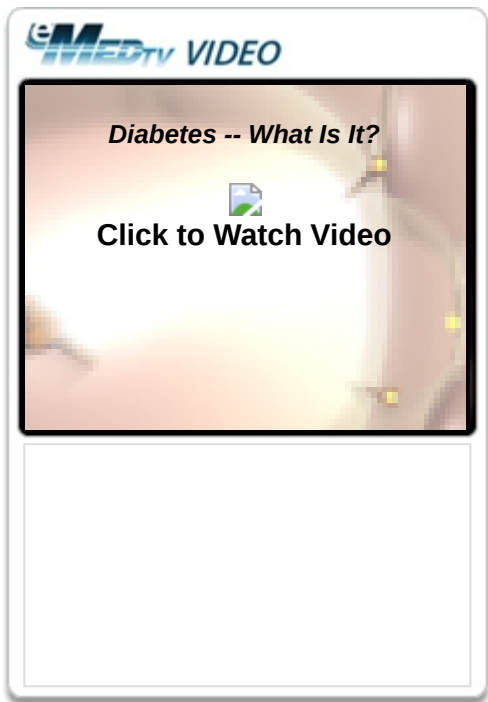
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Metformin HCL Side Effects

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Metformin (**Glucophage**®) is a prescription medication used for controlling blood sugar levels in people with **type 2 diabetes**.

Even most people do not experience any problems while taking **metformin HCL**, side effects are possible. In clinical studies, some of the most common side effects that were reported with this medicine included abdominal discomfort, **diarrhea**, weakness, and nausea or vomiting.

Other possible side effects, occurring in 1 to 5 percent of people using this drug, may include abnormal stools, taste

changes, and flu-like symptoms (such as fever, chills, and muscle pain).

While most side effects of metformin HCL are relatively minor, some are potentially serious and require immediate medical attention. You should contact your healthcare provider right away if you experience chest pain, signs of lactic acidosis (such as trouble breathing or fatigue), or symptoms of high blood sugar (such as increased urination or blurred vision).

(Click **Metformin Side Effects** to learn about other possible side effects, including other commonly reported problems as well as potentially serious side effects that require immediate medical attention.)



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