# **Possible Side Effects of Isotretinoin** (Table Version Date: February 1, 2023)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS** In 100 people receiving Isotretinoin, more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * Nose bleed * Anemia which may cause tiredness, or may require blood transfusions * Headache * Pain in the back, joints or muscles * Dry eye, skin, mouth, nose * Blisters on the skin * Redness and pain around lips * Hair loss * Itching * Increased risk of sunburn |

| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS** In 100 people receiving Isotretinoin, from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Stroke which may cause paralysis, weakness * Seizure * Swelling of the brain which may cause increased pressure in the skull, headache, vision changes, nausea, or confusion * Blockage of the airway which may cause shortness of breath, cough, wheezing * Blood clot * Infection, especially when white blood cell count is low * Bruising, bleeding * Damage to the liver which may cause yellow eyes and skin, tiredness * Blurred vision , cloudiness of the eye, visual disturbances, swelling and redness of the whites of the eye * Hearing loss and ringing in the ears * Belly pain * Internal bleeding which may cause black tarry stool, blood in vomit * Swelling of the bowels which may cause pain, diarrhea * Allergic reaction which may cause rash, low blood pressure, wheezing, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or throat * Damage to the muscles * Thoughts of suicide * Violent behavior * Depression * State of mind that involves a "loss of contact with reality" * Change in personality * Fainting * Nail changes |

| **RARE, AND SERIOUS** In 100 people receiving Isotretinoin, 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * Stevens-Johnson syndrome which may cause severe skin rash with blisters and peeling which can involve mouth and other parts of the body |