

Useful information for people receiving lenacapavir injection (LEN) for HIV prevention (PrEP)

What is PrEP?

LEN is given to prevent HIV

How often is LEN given?

Every 26 weeks that means Every 6 months that means Only 2 times a year

How is LEN started?

Day 1

Clinic appointment



Date of injection

Day 2

At home, the next day



Remember to take the 2 extra tablets at home, the next day

Advice after the injections

Side effects

As with any injection, it is common for some people to have side effects

Itchy | **Warm** | **Bruised** | **Painful**

An ice pack and pain relief may help

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.

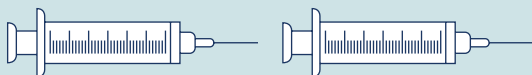
This includes any possible side effects not listed in the package leaflet.

By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

The next injection: every 26 weeks

Lenacapavir injection works for **26 weeks**

Follow-up clinic appointment



Make another appointment for 26 weeks



Next injection due

The **follow-up injections** are due at 26 weeks and must be within **28 weeks**. It is very important not to be late.

Lenacapavir is an investigational agent in most countries. Where it has not been approved by the local regulatory agency it has not been determined to be safe and efficacious.

Reference: EU-Med 4 all. Lenacapavir Gilead: Product information. Available at: <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/opinion-medicine-use-outside-EU/human/lenacapavir-gilead>. Accessed November 2025

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