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If you have any questions, please consult your physician or call Hearst Cancer Resource Center at 805.542.6234. For emergency, call 911.

PATIENT EDUCATION

Avastin (Bevacizumab)

SIDE EFFECTS

It is important for the patient to follow all prescription instructions carefully. You may experience some, all, or none of the following:

- **Generalized Weakness**
- **Pain**
- **Abdominal Pain**
- **Nausea and Vomiting**
- **Poor Appetite**
- **Constipation**
- **Upper Respiratory Infection**
- **Low White Blood Cell Count (increased risk for infection)**
- **Proteinuria**
- **Nose Bleed**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Hair Loss**
- **Mouth Sores**
- **Headache**
- **Shortness of Breath**
- **Dizziness**
- **High Blood Pressure**
- **Weight Loss**
- **Muscle Aches and Pains**

PATIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Notify your doctor or oncology nurse immediately if you experience:

- Fever of 100.5° (38° C) or higher or chills
- Severe bleeding
- Shortness of breath; difficulty breathing
- Swelling of the feet or ankles; sudden weight gain
- Abdominal pain
- Nausea
- Vomiting (more than 4-5 times in a 24 hour period)
- Diarrhea (more than 4-6 episodes in a 24 hour period)
- Constipation
- Coughing up blood
- Black or tarry stools or blood in the stool
- Blood in the urine
- Mouth sores
- Swelling, redness and/or pain in one leg or arm and not the other
- Signs of Infection: Redness or swelling, pain on swallowing, coughing up mucous, or painful urination
- Loss of appetite for 24 hours
- Dehydration

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- **Birth Control Measures** – are necessary during and after treatment due to potential harm to sperm/egg health.
- **Before any dental procedure, be sure and tell your dentist you are taking this medication.**