

Sugammadex

What you need to know

This handout is for women who received the drug sugammadex during surgery.

What is sugammadex?

Sugammadex (pronounced *soo-GAM-ma-dex*) is a drug that is often given to patients during surgery. It is given by injection into a vein.

Sugammadex is used to reverse the effects of other drugs that are used to help your muscles relax.



Important: *If you received sugammadex during surgery, your birth control medicines may not work for 7 days after your surgery. Please talk with your healthcare provider if you have any questions.*

What do I need know about this drug?

- **Birth control pills, patches, hormonal IUDs, rings, injections, and implants may not work for 1 week after you receive sugammadex.**
- If you do not want to become pregnant:
For 7 days after receiving this drug, you will need to use condoms, spermicidal jelly, or another non-hormonal form of birth control. This is in addition to other birth control methods you may be using.

If you have any questions about this drug or your birth control methods, talk with your doctor, pharmacist, or healthcare provider.

Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor, pharmacist, or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.