

Onyda XR

(generic)

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Forms/Strengths

- **Liquid (orange flavored):** 0.1 mg/mL

Dosing

- **Age:** ≥ 6 y/o
- **Onset:** 60-90 min
- **Duration:** 12-24 hours
- **Considerations:** Orange flavored; Monitor for hypotension, bradycardia, and sedation. Titrate slowly.
- **Initial Dose:** 0.1 mg orally once daily at bedtime
- **Titration:** Increase by 0.1 mg weekly
- **Max Dose:** 0.4 mg once daily

For patients switching from another clonidine product, discontinue that treatment, and titrate with ONYDA XR using the titration schedule

Quick Facts

- Increases synaptic dopamine and norepinephrine via presynaptic release and reuptake inhibition
- Enhances focus, attention, and impulse control
- Extended-release formulation with dual-phase release for rapid onset and sustained control
- Unique delivery system provides consistent plasma levels throughout the day

- Common side effects: decreased appetite, insomnia, headache, gastrointestinal discomfort
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Indications

- **ADHD** (ICD-10: F90.0)
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Off-Label Uses

- N/A
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How to Take

- Take **once daily at bedtime** to minimize daytime sedation.
 - Administer **orally as a suspension**; shake the bottle gently for at least 10 seconds before each use to ensure proper mixing.
 - Use the provided **oral dosing dispenser** for accurate measurement; do not use household spoons.
 - Can be taken **with or without food**, but maintain consistency in relation to meals to ensure stable absorption.
 - If a **dose is missed**, skip that dose and take the next dose as scheduled; do not double up.
 - **Do not abruptly discontinue**; tapering may be required to prevent **rebound hypertension**.
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Side Effects

- Common: Somnolence, fatigue, irritability, headache, abdominal pain, constipation, dry mouth
 - Serious: Hypotension, bradycardia, rebound hypertension, allergic reactions
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Monitoring / Labs

- **Cardiovascular**: Baseline and routine monitoring of heart rate and blood pressure.

- **Growth in Pediatrics:** Regular monitoring of height and weight to detect growth suppression.
 - **Psychiatric Symptoms:** Observe for mood changes, anxiety, or psychosis.
 - **Abuse Potential:** Monitor for misuse or diversion.
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Education

- **When to Call the Doctor:**
 - Severe **dizziness, fainting, or low blood pressure.**
 - Slow or irregular heart rate.
 - Excessive drowsiness or difficulty waking.
 - Mood changes, depression, or unusual behavior.
 - Severe headache, blurred vision, or confusion (**possible hypertensive rebound if stopped abruptly**).
 - **Safety Tips:**
 - **Monitor blood pressure and heart rate** regularly.
 - Avoid **alcohol and sedatives**, which may enhance drowsiness.
 - Rise slowly from sitting or lying positions to prevent dizziness.
 - Use caution when driving or operating heavy machinery due to possible sedation.
 - **Taper gradually** when discontinuing to avoid withdrawal symptoms.
 - **Parent Tips for Pediatric Patients:**
 - May cause **daytime drowsiness**; administering at bedtime helps minimize this effect.
 - Monitor for **irritability, mood swings, or behavioral changes.**
 - Encourage **hydration and balanced nutrition** to minimize side effects.
 - Ensure children do not engage in **high-risk activities (e.g., swimming, biking) if excessively drowsy.**
 - Store in **child-proof packaging** to prevent accidental overdose.
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Additional Information

- **Contraindications:**
 - **Hypersensitivity** to clonidine or formulation components.
 - Use with caution in patients with **severe heart disease, bradycardia, or hypotension.**
- **Pregnancy:**
 - **Category C**; use only if benefits outweigh risks.
 - May cause **neonatal withdrawal symptoms.**
- **Lactation:**
 - **Excreted in breast milk**; use with caution due to potential effects on infant blood pressure.
- **Drug Interactions:**

- **CNS depressants** (e.g., alcohol, benzodiazepines) may increase sedation.
 - **Beta-blockers** may enhance bradycardia; caution when using together.
 - **Stimulants (e.g., amphetamines)** may counteract ONYDA XR's effects.
 - **Antihypertensive medications** may lead to excessive blood pressure lowering.
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