

**Use this crib sheet to help complete a Yellow Card if you suspect a Side Effect to a medicine**

**Side Effect suspected?**

**Report it via a Yellow Card**

- [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard)
- Use the Yellow Card Smartphone App**
- Paper Yellow Cards available from: BNF, MHRA website, your local pharmacy or free phone: 0800 731 6789

Do you suspect an adverse drug reaction?	The minimum information needed for completing a Yellow Card:	Additional information to supply (this information helps assess the Yellow Card):
<p><b>Serious reaction?</b> Yes → <b>Report</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>Involves a black triangle medicine (▼)?</b> Yes → <b>Report</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>Unlisted reaction?</b> Yes → <b>Report</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>Involves a herbal remedy?</b> Yes → <b>Report</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>Unsure To report?</b> Yes → <b>Report</b></p>	<p><b>Names of the medicine(s)</b> suspected to have caused the reaction</p> <p>For vaccines and biological medicines (including biosimilars) please include the brand name and batch number.</p>	<p>Details of the suspect medicine(s) if available. For example;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ dose</li> <li>✓ start and stop dates if known</li> <li>✓ route of administration (e.g. by mouth)</li> <li>✓ action taken with the drug - stopped, dose change, restarted, none etc.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Suspected reaction(s)</b></p>	<p>Details of the reactions if available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ a brief description of reaction</li> <li>✓ diagnosis if relevant and known</li> <li>✓ start and stop dates of reaction</li> <li>✓ seriousness (use tick boxes on Yellow Card)</li> <li>✓ treatment given if any</li> <li>✓ reaction outcome if known</li> <li>✓ details of medication error if appropriate</li> </ul>
<p><b>YOU CAN ALSO USE THE YELLOW CARD WEBSITE TO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Report a counterfeit medicine or device → Report via Fake Portal</li> <li>Report a defective product → Report via Defective Portal</li> <li>Side effect or safety concern for an e-cigarette → Report via E-cigarette Portal</li> </ul>	<p><b>At least one patient identifier:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Sex</li> <li>✓ Age</li> <li>✓ Weight</li> <li>✓ Initials</li> <li>✓ Local identifier</li> </ul> <p>All should be completed if available</p> <p><b>Reporter details:</b> Include your name and full address</p>	<p>Any additional information you have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ relevant medical history</li> <li>✓ test results</li> <li>✓ other drugs taken in the last 3 months</li> <li>✓ If it is a suspected congenital abnormality, state all other drugs taken during pregnancy and date of last menstrual period if known</li> </ul> <p><b>If no further information is available, please indicate this on the Yellow Card</b></p>