# **TESTOSTERONE**

This drug information sheet is to be used as a guide for patient counseling on the use and possible side effects of this medication. This information is not to be used as a substitute for the pharmacist providing counseling, or for information provided by your medical provider or other medical professional. This information is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease. If you feel you are having a medical problem, contact your health care provider.

## Medication:

The compounded medication contains testosterone that is a plant derived hormone.

### Use:

It may be used as hormone replacement therapy for men or for women treating deficiencies or other conditions as determined by the patient's provider.

## Side Effects:

Symptoms/side effects that may subside during treatment include and could be related to the dose include nausea, vomiting, weight gain, fluid retention, depression, acne, increased facial hair (in women), changes in libido, voice changes, clitoral enlargement, rash, and electrolyte retention.

## Precautions:

Patients using diabetic medications should monitor blood glucose levels closely. This medication may affect blood sugar and medication requirements. Patients should contact their prescriber if they experience frequent or persistent erections, ankle or hand swelling, nausea, or vomiting. Patient should contact their prescriber if they experience sudden/severe headache, loss of coordination, sudden loss of vision or changes in vision, chest pain, weakness, shortness of breath, slurred speech or numbness/pain in the arm or leg. If you notice any effects not listed above but of concern, contact your health care provider.

#### Directions:

This medication may be administered as a sublingual lozenge or drop, a transdermal cream or gel or an implanted pellet. Patients should follow the directions provided by the medical provider and/or the pharmacist. Patients should not exceed the dose prescribed. The medication should be stored as directed. Please check with your pharmacy regarding missed doses.

