

We Ask the Question “For What Symptoms Do You Prescribe Plaquenil? What Are the Major Risks and Side Effects?”

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Dr. Ensworth explains the history of Plaquenil and how the drug has become common practice with lupus patients. As this drug has been used for over 50 years, there is long term and short term research that point to the benefits. There are four reasons to prescribe Plaquenil; to treat active lupus symptoms, to lower predosine dosages, to prevent future flares and to prevent blood clotting. The benefits and the risks associated with taking this drug at varying doses are discussed.