

**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
DISCLOSURE AND CONSENT
DRUG THERAPY FOR TREATMENT OF HANSEN'S DISEASE**

The information in this consent form is given so you can know more about your treatment. After you are sure that you understand this information, sign this form to show that you do understand and agree to the treatment.

I have been told that I need drug therapy because of Hansen's Disease.

The following medications have been prescribed: **CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY**

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| 1. Dapsone (DDS) | 3. Clofazimine (B663) |
| 2. Rifampin | 4. Thalidomide |

These drugs may carry certain risks as shown below:

DRUG	SIDE EFFECTS
Dapsone	Nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, headaches, nervousness, inability to sleep, blurred vision, changes in mental state, neuritis, swelling of hands and feet
Rifampin	Orange tears and urine, flu-like symptoms, nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, yellow skin, rash, itching, headaches, drowsiness. May reduce the effectiveness of birth control pills. If contraception is desired, an alternative method of birth control should be used
Clofazimine	Darkens skin from pink to brownish-black, skin dryness, itching, rash, pain in abdomen, diarrhea, nausea and vomiting, dryness, burning and itching of eyes, red coloration of sweat, tears, urine and feces
Thalidomide	Drowsiness, serious birth defects to infants born to mothers who take it during pregnancy, swelling of hands and feet

Allergic reactions including rashes may be caused by any of the drugs.

The risks are small and the health problems that may arise usually clear up completely. Sometimes the side effects may be bad, and very rarely may cause lasting damage or death. The Texas Department of State Health Services will check me regularly for side effects. I will be responsible for following treatment recommendations and instructions.

The Texas Department of State Health Services believes that the benefits of drug treatment for Hansen's Disease are much greater than the risks involved.