CARING FOR A LOVED ONE WITH IgAN

Use this guide to help you become the most supportive care partner you can be.

As a care partner, you play a vital role in helping your loved one manage and live with IgAN. **Remember, you are not alone.** This guide will give you tips and help you find resources so you can navigate this journey.



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YOUR ROLE AS CARE PARTNER IS CRUCIAL

IgAN can be life-changing—for your loved one, for you, and for family members.

As the care partner of a loved one with IgAN, you may be looking for answers or resources to help you. A lot of uncertainty comes with IgAN and how it might progress. That's why we're here to provide you with guidance, insights, tips, and resources to help you.

DID YOU KNOW?

74% of care partners say their loved one's IgAN has had a significant emotional and psychological impact on them.

44% feel alone or isolated.



You play a vital role in the care partner journey.

Your responsibilities may include helping your loved one:

- Understand the impact of their diagnosis
- Manage their treatment, including keeping track of lab results
- Navigate life with a rare disease
- Ease the fear and uncertainty that comes with a rare, chronic disease
- Make necessary changes in their diet



Managing the physical and emotional aspects.

You may also be the one providing emotional support through all of your loved one's highs and lows. Symptoms come and go and are unpredictable. Lab results are not always as expected. Diet will need to change. No doubt, being a care partner can be exhausting and even isolating at times.



You're not in this alone.

There are resources to help you understand more about IgAN and being a care partner, and there are also resources to help you take care of yourself.

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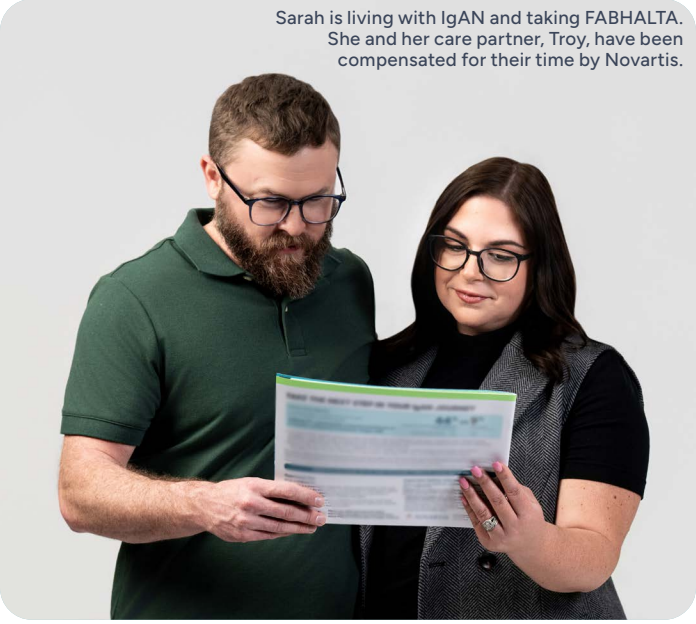
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Key traits of being a strong care partner

Care partners help their loved ones with all kinds of tasks depending on what they need.

Here are some traits of a successful care partner:

- **Patience**
- **Compassion**
- **Willingness to set boundaries**
- **Being present**
- **Detail-oriented**
- **Ability to accept help**
- **Cooperation with the rest of the team, such as doctors and nurses**



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TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF IS IMPORTANT

Your life is changing too—your expectations, your plans, your future. That's why staying healthy might be the most important quality of a good care partner.

It's not selfish to care for yourself and avoid the danger of exhaustion. Take the time to do what matters most to you.

Attend to your own needs

Try to be as self-aware as you can and do a self-care check-in from time to time. These tips may help you maintain your mental, physical, and spiritual health:



Get plenty of sleep



Eat a healthy diet



Continue pursuing your own **interests or hobbies**



Take time for yourself each day, even if it is just a few minutes. Accept that you can't do everything



Keep up with your own medical needs such as doctor and dentist appointments

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Know the signs of stress and burnout

Unfortunately, there may be times when connecting to your loved one with IgAN may be difficult. Pressure. Demands. Responsibility. They add up and sometimes can lead to stress, burnout, and even depression. It's important to know what to watch for. You may need to make changes. Making changes may let you reset to give yourself renewed energy.

Familiarize yourself with the following signs so you know when it's time to reboot:

Some signs of stress

- Feeling overwhelmed, worried, sad, or alone
- Sleeping too much or not enough
- Withdrawal from friends and family or activities you once enjoyed
- Easily irritated or resentful
- Changes to eating habits and/or drinking too much

Some signs of burnout

- Overwhelming exhaustion
- Can't concentrate
- Don't care about anything or have a lack of energy
- Can't relax
- Getting sick often

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Remember, you're not in this alone.

Talk to a friend or another care partner, or join a support group for additional help. You can also visit **https://fabhalta.com/igan/resources** for more easy-to-access resources.

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LIFESTYLE AND COMMUNITY

Lifestyle adjustments

Your loved one with IgAN will need to deal with a lot of challenges, like doctor visits and tracking lab tests. There will also be the challenges of day-to-day living. These may include diet changes, taking medicine consistently and on time, and feeling down or isolated. **As their care partner, there are things you can do for your loved one:**



Consider consulting a dietitian who can help devise an IgAN-friendly eating plan



Ensure they are eating a kidney-healthy diet. This may mean lowering the amount of salt and protein they eat



Encourage them to get regular physical activity and maintain a healthy weight



Remind them to limit alcohol and not use tobacco



Help them to maintain a social life and to stay connected with friends and family



Enjoy each other's company doing something other than talking seriously. Practice mindfulness and relaxing together or find a hobby that you can both do

Connecting with a community

Having a chronic disease like IgAN can feel isolating. And while IgAN is a rare disease, there are support groups your loved one should consider joining.



The benefits of support groups include:

- Talking with people who understand what you are going through
- Getting tips on how to manage living with IgAN
- Feeling empowered and supported by fellow care partners

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DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS

Prepare for doctor appointments

To get the most out of each doctor appointment, it's best to be prepared. Start by making sure that each health care provider has permission from your loved one to speak with you. Your loved one can do this verbally with the health care provider or through a consent form.



Sarah
Actual patient.
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Before the doctor's visit, be sure to bring:

- All insurance cards
- Names and phone numbers of other doctors your loved one sees
- A list of all medicines, vitamins, herbal remedies, over-the-counter drugs, and supplements they take, including the names, dosages, and schedules
- A list of questions or concerns that you or your loved one would like to discuss

During the doctor's visit:

- Write down all the answers to your questions
- Allow your loved one to answer questions before you
- Avoid getting into a two-way conversation between you and the health care provider.
- Make sure your loved one is included in the conversation
- Respect your loved one's privacy and leave the room when requested
- Before you leave, ask the health care provider for written materials to take home and see if they can recommend resources if needed


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HAVING A PRODUCTIVE CONVERSATION WITH YOUR DOCTOR

See what you can do before, during, and after your appointments to help you communicate with your care team and determine if FABHALTA is right for you.

Talk to the doctor together.

If you are not sure how to approach a subject with the health care provider, please use our **Doctor Discussion Guide** for guidance.

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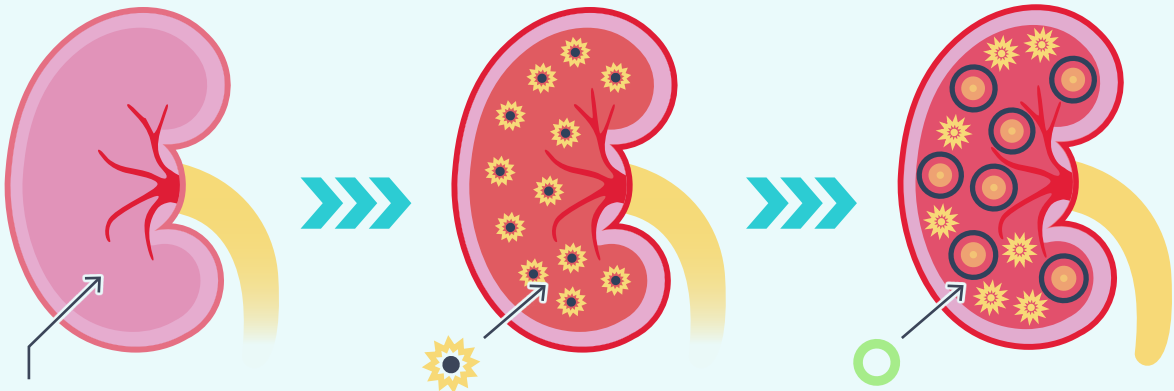
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UNDERSTANDING IgAN AND FABHALTA®

You may be feeling overwhelmed with information and unsure where to begin. Understanding IgAN and the changes it can bring is a good place to start.

What is IgAN?

- IgAN is a rare disease where IgA antibodies that are supposed to fight infections become defective. This causes the immune system to work against itself
- In IgAN, unwanted IgA antibodies build up in the kidneys, leading to the activation of multiple pathways including a part of the immune system called the complement system



Healthy kidney

Complement system activation in the kidney

Complement activation may play a role in IgAN development

FABHALTA helps block a part of the complement system called the alternative complement pathway

FABHALTA® is the first and only FDA-approved oral treatment option for adults with primary IgAN at risk of their disease worsening quickly, that targets the alternative complement pathway.

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FABHALTA: A TARGETED APPROACH THAT MAY OFFER WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR

Oral dosing with or without food
Take 1 capsule **twice** a day

A targeted IgAN treatment
The only oral IgAN treatment targeting the alternative pathway within the complement system, a part of the immune system that is thought to contribute to IgAN

Backed by clinical evidence
Tested in a large clinical study of 477 adults with primary IgAN over 24 months

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Who should NOT take FABHALTA?

Do not take FABHALTA if you:

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Before you take FABHALTA, tell your health care provider about all your medical conditions, including if you:

- Have an infection or fever.
- Have liver problems.
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if FABHALTA will harm your unborn baby.
- Are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if FABHALTA passes into your breast milk. You should not breastfeed during treatment and for 5 days after your final dose of FABHALTA.

Tell your health care provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Taking FABHALTA with certain other medicines may affect the way FABHALTA works and may cause side effects.

Know the medicines you take and the vaccines you receive. Keep a list of them to show your health care provider and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

What are the possible side effects of FABHALTA?

FABHALTA may cause serious side effects, including:

- See **"What is the most important information I should know about FABHALTA?"**
- **Increased cholesterol and triglyceride (lipid) levels in your blood.** Your health care provider will do blood tests to check your cholesterol and triglycerides during treatment with FABHALTA. Your health care provider may start you on a medicine to lower your cholesterol if needed.

The most common side effects of FABHALTA in adults include:

- Headache
- Nasal congestion, runny nose, cough, sneezing, and sore throat (nasopharyngitis)
- Diarrhea
- Feeling dizzy
- Pain in the stomach (abdomen)
- Infections (bacterial and viral)
- Nausea
- Rash

Tell your health care provider about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of FABHALTA.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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OTHER RESOURCES

PATIENT & COMMUNITY LIAISONS ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU

You have a dedicated team in your corner

Living with a rare condition can feel isolating. Patient & Community Liaisons (PCLs) provide education, resources, and personalized support to help you and your loved one understand and navigate their disease journey.

FABHALTA PCLs are here to:

- Engage with you and others like you affected by your condition. PCL engagement also extends to care partners and local community advocacy partners
- Educate the community and help affected people access helpful information
- Build relationships with local community and advocacy groups to help identify opportunities for support and connection within the community

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Reach out to us at 1-877-FABPCLs (1-877-322-7257)
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