

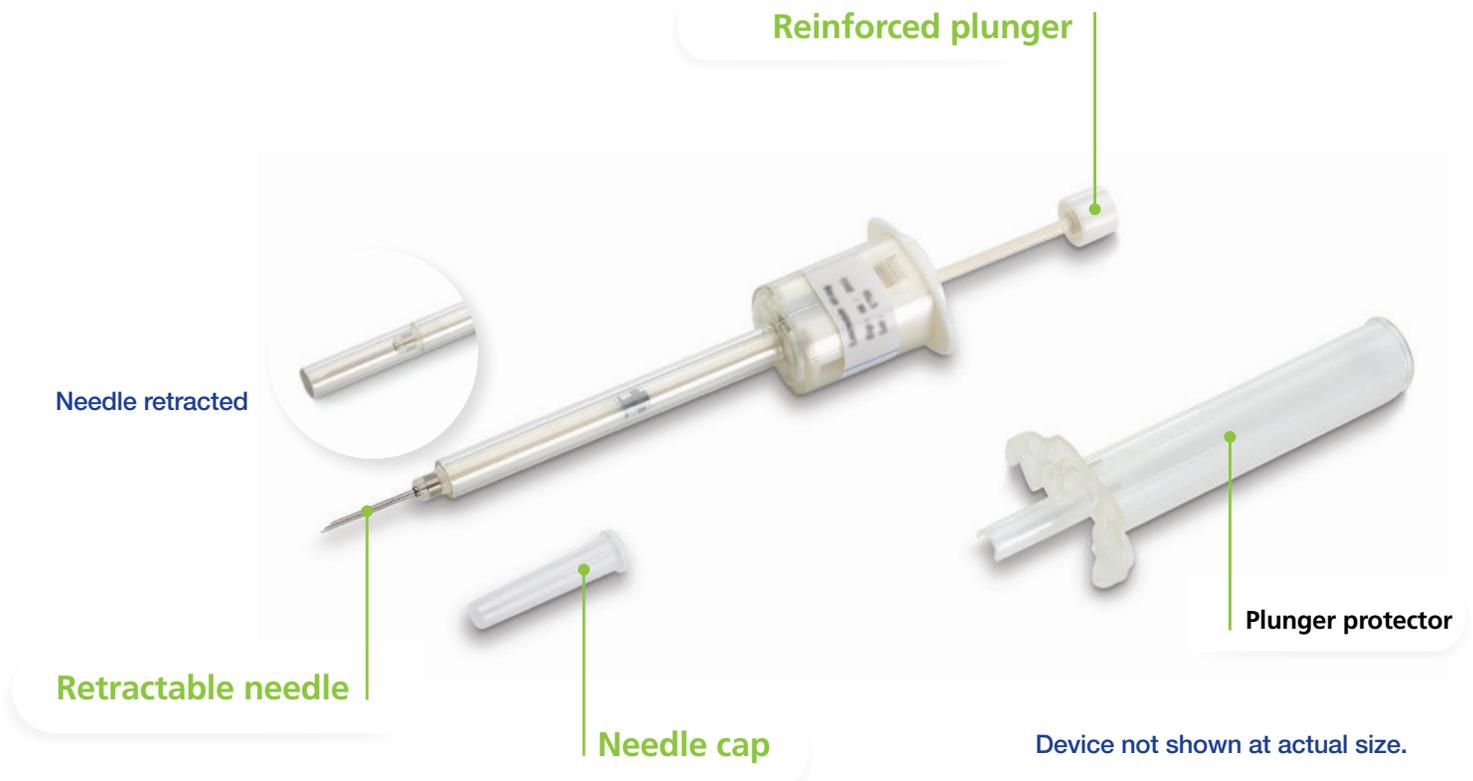
# Changes are coming soon to the Somatuline® Depot device

**Beginning on January 15, 2015, Somatuline Depot will be available in an enhanced device incorporating Safe'n'Sound® syringe technology that offers several additional features:**

- A needle safety guard that engages automatically to help avoid accidental needle sticks
- Manufactured without latex or natural dry rubber
- A reinforced plunger design offers sturdy construction

The device will continue to provide the following benefits:

- Prefilled, low-volume syringe is ready to use without mixing to streamline the injection process
- Transparent syringe helps confirm that the full dose was delivered



Somatuline Depot should be administered by a healthcare professional.

## **What is Somatuline® Depot (lanreotide) Injection?**

Somatuline Depot is a prescription medicine used for the long-term treatment of acromegaly when surgery or radiotherapy has not worked well enough or the patient is not able to have surgery or radiotherapy.

It is not known if Somatuline Depot is safe and effective in children.

## **Select Important Safety Information**

**Somatuline Depot may cause serious side effects including:**

- Gallstones
- Changes in your blood sugar (high blood sugar or low blood sugar)

***Please see additional Important Safety Information throughout this letter and the accompanying full Patient Information.***

## Select Important Safety Information (continued)

### Somatuline Depot may cause serious side effects including:

- Slow heart rate
- High blood pressure

The most common side effects of Somatuline Depot include diarrhea, gallstones, stomach area (abdominal) pain, nausea, and pain, itching, or a lump at the injection site.

These are not all the possible side effects of Somatuline Depot. Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

### Before you receive Somatuline Depot, talk to your doctor about:

#### All of your medical conditions, including

- Gallbladder, thyroid, heart, kidney, or liver problems
- Diabetes
- Allergy to latex or natural dry rubber
- Pregnancy or plans to become pregnant
- It is not known if Somatuline Depot could harm your unborn baby
- Breast-feeding or plans to breast-feed
- It is not known if Somatuline Depot passes into breast milk

#### Any medicines (prescription and nonprescription) you are taking, including

- Insulin or other diabetes medicines
- A cyclosporine (such as Gengraf™, Neoral®, or Sandimmune®)
- A medicine called bromocriptine (such as Parlodel®)
- Medicines that lower your heart rate (such as beta blockers)

#### While on Somatuline Depot:

- Tell your doctor if you have sudden pain in your upper right stomach (abdominal) area or in your right shoulder or between your shoulder blades, or if you have yellowing of your skin and whites of your eyes, fever with chills, or nausea as these could be symptoms related to gallstones
- If you have diabetes, test your blood sugar as your doctor tells you to. Your doctor may change your dose of diabetes medicine especially when you first start receiving Somatuline Depot or if your dose of Somatuline Depot changes
- Before each treatment, read the Patient Information that comes with each Somatuline Depot package as there may be new information. Talk with your doctor about your medical condition or your treatment. Your doctor is your primary source of information about treatment

**Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You are also encouraged to report side effects to the FDA at [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch) or call 1-800-FDA-1088.**

*Please see accompanying full Patient Information.*

**For more information, visit [www.SomatulineDepot.com](http://www.SomatulineDepot.com)**

**For information relating to safety, please call (888) 980-2889.**

**For 1-on-1 personal support, contact the IPSEN CARES (IPSEN Coverage, Access, Reimbursement & Education Support) program by calling (866) 435-5677.**

