

Notice to the patients on warfarin and attending the Warfarin clinic at SJH

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What is the issue?

There is a temporary shortage of the supply of one of the brands of warfarin (Warfarin Teva[®]) in Ireland. This means that your pharmacist may have to dispense a different brand of warfarin to the brand you usually get.

Why is this important?

Different brands of warfarin can result in slightly different INR levels. If you switch brands, you will need a repeat INR test within 1-2 weeks of switching.

What should I do?

When you are getting a supply of warfarin from your Pharmacy ask the pharmacist if your brand of warfarin is being switched and show them this letter to explain the issue. **If your brand is being switched, please let the anticoagulation service at St James's Hospital know as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made for additional INR testing.**

Many thanks,

Anticoagulation Service,
National Coagulation Centre,
St James' Hospital, Dublin 8.

Phone number:

(01) 4284403 0900 -1215 or 1430 - 1530hrs (Mon-Fri) or

(01)416 2141 0830 -1700hrs (Mon-Fri)