

**Naval Medical Center
Pharmacy Department
Portsmouth, Virginia**

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Dear Beneficiary:

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth (NMCP) will be converting to a new form of **WARFARIN TABLETS**. Warfarin is the generic name for COUMADIN[®]. **WARFARIN** is used to lower the chance of blood clots forming in the body. NMCP will now use **WARFARIN TABLETS** distributed by Golden State Medical Supply which are made by Taro Pharmaceuticals USA. This formulation is designated by the FDA as therapeutically equivalent to Coumadin[®] and is the DoD-preferred warfarin product.

- ✓ When your current supply of **WARFARIN** (or Coumadin[®]) **TABLETS** runs out, you should begin taking the **WARFARIN TABLETS** made by Taro Pharmaceuticals USA.
- ✓ The new tablets will be a different shape but similar in color to the strength you are taking (see pictures below).
- ✓ You should not feel any different with this change in product.
- ✓ The blood test used to measure how thin your blood is, the INR (International Normalized Ratio), should not be affected by this change. Additional monitoring is not required but may be requested by your health care provider. If you see a civilian health care provider, please inform them that you have been converted to a generic warfarin product.
- ✓ Please continue to take your warfarin as instructed by your Healthcare Provider.
- ✓ Call the NMCP Pharmacy or your health care provider if you have any questions or problems with this change in your medicine.

Sincerely,

The NMCP Pharmacy team

Taro Warfarin Tablets, USP

	Warfarin 1 mg	Warfarin 2 mg	Warfarin 2.5 mg	Warfarin 3 mg	Warfarin 4 mg	Warfarin 5 mg	Warfarin 6 mg	Warfarin 7.5 mg	Warfarin 10 mg
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