

# Post Discharge Information Update Request For Warfarin Patients Currently Monitored by QML Pathology

The QML Pathology Warfarin Care Clinic provides a service monitoring the warfarin doses of patients for general practitioners and specialists.

When a patient is admitted into hospital this service is temporarily discontinued and must be reactivated. To assist in maintaining a safe INR, the dosing Haematologist requires the discharging hospital to supply the Warfarin Care Clinic with an updated health and medication history including recent warfarin doses and INR results. The medico-legal consequences of blind dosing are an issue that can involve both the laboratory and the referring physician.

Patients discharged from hospital who are prescribed LMWH must remain under the care of the hospital, or be referred to their doctor until LMWH is ceased and INR returns to therapeutic range (unless under a private specialist). If you wish QML Pathology to commence the monitoring of warfarin doses and INRs for a *new* patient, please contact the Warfarin Care Clinic on 1300 795 355. For *pre-existing* Warfarin Care Clinic patients, please complete the sections below.

**Please respond to the following items and/or attach FULL discharge summary.**

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| Patient Name: _____      | UR Number: _____                    |
| D.O.B.: _____            | Warfarin Registration Number: _____ |
| Address: _____           |                                     |
| Consultant's Name: _____ | Hospital/Ward: _____                |

1. Date of admission: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Date of discharge: \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Date of next INR: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Reason for admission and any new indications for warfarin therapy:

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5. Treatment plan and/or medicines on discharge (If extensive, attach list. Please note any additions or alterations first):

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| Date | Dose | INR |
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6. Warfarin doses for the last 5 days and any INRs:

Form completed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please either:**

- Fax back to the Warfarin Care Clinic on (07) 3121 4335 OR
- Phone the Warfarin Registration line on 1300 795 355 OR
- **CLICK HERE** to submit form or email to warfarin@qml.com.au.