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## **Pfizer New Zealand Limited**

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Dear Healthcare Professional,

## NOTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY ALTERNATIVE PRODUCT SUPPLY

Pfizer New Zealand (Pfizer) wishes to advise that **NORIMIN<sup>™</sup> 28 Day tablets** is out of stock. The Australian **BREVINOR<sup>®</sup> 28 Day tablets** have been granted provisional registration under section 23 of the Medicines Act 1981 as a temporary alternative for patients in New Zealand.

| Status   | Presentation   | Registration | Pharmacode <sup>®</sup> | Pack Size                           | Stock Status            |
|--|--|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| OUT OF STOCK                                     | NORIMIN <sup>™</sup> 28 Day (0.5mg<br>norethisterone / 0.035mg<br>ethinylestradiol)  | TT50-5909    | 410691                  | 3 blisters x<br>28 tablets<br>(84)  | Current                 |
| TEMPORARY<br>ALTERNATIVE<br>(Australian product) | BREVINOR <sup>®</sup> 28 Day<br>(0.5mg norethisterone /<br>0.035mg ethinylestradiol) | TT50-10759   | 2598035                 | 4 blisters x<br>28 tablets<br>(112) | Available<br>1 Sep 2020 |

All pharmacological aspects of the two products are identical and dosing instructions are the same. There are differences in carton labeling and patient information documents. This information is listed in the table below:

| Category                  | NEW ZEALAND product<br>NORIMIN <sup>™</sup> 28 Day | AUSTRALIAN product<br>BREVINOR <sup>®</sup> 28 Day |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Pack Size                 | 3 blister strips x 28 tablets                      | 4 blister strips x 28 tablets                      |  |
| Active tablet appearance  | Blue   | Blue   |  |
| Placebo tablet appearance | Orange   | Orange   |  |
| Sponsor contact details   | Pfizer New Zealand Limited                         | Pfizer Australia Pty Ltd                           |  |
|                           | Auckland, New Zealand                              | Sydney, NSW, Australia                             |  |
| Medical Information       | New Zealand: 0800 736 363                          | Australia: 1800 675 229                            |  |
|                           | medicalaffairs.anz@pfizer.com                      | medicalaffairs.anz@pfizer.com                      |  |
| Poison contact details    | National Poisons Centre                            | Poisons Information Centre (telephone              |  |
|                           | (telephone 0800 764 766)                           | 13 11 26)  |  |

Please refer to the Brevinor<sup>®</sup> 28 Day (Australian Stock) Data Sheet and Consumer Medicines Information document in www.medsafe.govt.nz for the complete product information.

We thank you in advance for your understanding and apologise for any inconvenience caused to you and your patients. For any medical or stock queries please contact Pfizer on 0800 736 363.

Please report any suspected adverse events via email to Pfizer Drug Safety at AUS.AEReporting@pfizer.com. Alternatively, suspected adverse events may be reported to the Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring (CARM) in Dunedin online at https://nzphvc.otago.ac.nz/reporting or by email to carmnz@otago.ac.nz

Yours faithfully,

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