

26th September 2024

Dear Patient,

RE: ANTICIPATED SHORTAGE OF PEGASYS® (peginterferon alfa-2a) IN AUSTRALIA

Echo Therapeutics Pty Ltd is the registered sponsor of a number of products listed on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (ARTG), including Pegasys® (peginterferon alfa-2a) [AUST R 91836 and 91879]. **Due to an unexpected and ongoing increase in demand for Pegasys®, we regret to inform you that we have formally notified the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) of an anticipated shortage of the therapy in Australia.**

We appreciate this is difficult news to hear. Please be assured that Echo Therapeutics remains committed to the local patient community, and is doing everything possible to prioritise the supply of Pegasys® for Australian patients living with Myeloproliferative Neoplasms (MPNs).

As per our previous correspondence (dated August 2024), patients can continue to access their treatment directly through the **Pegasys® Home Delivery Program**, via [JustMeds](#). For patients being treated in the hospital setting, supply of Pegasys® will be coordinated with your treating hospital, as required.

We currently have stock in the country to continue to meet your needs, and are hopeful of another Pegasys® shipment arriving in Australia before the end of the year. To ensure fair and equitable distribution of available Pegasys® supply for all patients around the country, we please ask that you only get one month's treatment (one script) dispensed at a time – except in exceptional circumstances (i.e. travelling for an extended period of time).

Thank you for your continued understanding and support as we work to minimise the impact of any anticipated Pegasys® shortage on Australian patients.

Should you have any questions on the anticipated shortage of Pegasys®, please speak with your doctor or healthcare professional. Alternatively, if you have any questions about the Pegasys® Home Delivery Program, or would like any further information, please contact JustMeds on rx@justmeds.com.au or visit www.justmeds.com.au.

Kind regards,



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