

## Department of Health and Aged Care

Therapeutic Goods Administration

## Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 Approval under section 42DF for use of restricted representations by Roche Diagnostics Australia Ptv Limited

I, Stephen Weber, as a delegate of the Secretary to the Department of Health and Aged Care, have approved under section 42DF of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989*, the use of restricted representations described in paragraph (A) in advertising the products identified in paragraph (B) to consumers.

- **(A)** 1. Representations to the effect that "anticoagulation medications, also known as blood thinners, are prescribed to avoid unwanted clots".
  - 2. Representations to the effect that "the product is intended for the determination of prothrombin time or International Normalised Ratio (INR) as a general coagulation test to monitor the effect of Vitamin K antagonists, such as warfarin".
  - 3. Representations to the effect that "the product is intended for the determination of prothrombin time (PT) in fresh capillary blood and is used as a general coagulation test to monitor Vitamin K Antagonist therapy".
  - 4. Representations to the effect of "test your INR with a simple finger prick".
  - 5. Representations to the effect that "results can be obtained in 1 min, and results can be tracked by built in graphic reports to help identify patterns and detect any drift in INR".

together, (the Representations).

The **Representations** must always be accompanied by the following statements, prominently displayed or communicated<sup>1</sup> adjacent or in close proximity to the **Representations**, whenever the **Representations** are used in an advertisement:

- Discuss the suitability of this product with your doctor.
- The product is intended for use by properly selected and appropriately trained people. Your pharmacist/specialist supplier can provide you the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As defined in the applicable version of the Therapeutic Goods Advertising Code, as amended from time to time

- training and/or put you in touch with associations or institutions offering training in coagulation self-monitoring.
- Self-monitoring supplements your doctor's care; it is not a substitute for it.
- Self-monitoring of oral anticoagulation therapy using coagulation values determined with the CoaguChek INRange system may only be undertaken after consultation with your doctor and comprehensive instruction by a qualified healthcare professional.
  - together, (the Advisory Statements).
- (B) 1. General coagulation IVDs (CoaguChek XS PT Test PST) ARTG 198119
  - 2. Home-use/point-of-care coagulation analyser IVD, battery-powered (CoaguChek INRange) ARTG 282998
  - 3. Lancet tip (CoaguChek Softclix Lancet) ARTG 296200

Dated this 11th day of December 2023

Signed electronically,

## **Stephen Weber**

Delegate of the Secretary to the Department of Health and Aged Care Advertising and Compliance Education and Policy Section Regulatory Compliance Branch