













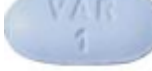


APO-VARENICLINE® 1mg TABLET DOSE SCHEDULE

Varenicline, marketed in Australia as Champix®, is a prescription medicine that assists adults to stop smoking. It is currently unavailable worldwide due to manufacturing issues. The TGA has approved importation of another brand of varenicline, **APO-Varenicline® 1mg tablets**, from Canada. Whilst it is the same medication as Champix®, it is not available as a starter (initiation) pack like Champix®, so you will need to follow the dose schedule below at the beginning of your course.

(Your doctor may recommend a different dose schedule depending on your medical history.)

It is recommended that a tablet cutter be used to break the tablets in half to get an accurate break, as they do not have a score line.

DAY	Morning	Night	INSTRUCTIONS
Day 1			HALF tablet ONCE daily WITH FOOD
Day 2			HALF tablet ONCE daily WITH FOOD
Day 3			HALF tablet ONCE daily WITH FOOD
Day 4			HALF tablet TWICE a day WITH FOOD
Day 5			HALF tablet TWICE a day WITH FOOD
Day 6			HALF tablet TWICE a day WITH FOOD
Day 7			HALF tablet TWICE a day WITH FOOD
Day 8 onwards			ONE Tablet TWICE a day WITH FOOD

Your GP may use following PBS Authority STREAMLINED codes 7483 (initiation) or 6885 (continuation) to provide you with PBS prescription of varenicline.

(Please check PBS website prior to prescribing as streamline code can change without notice)

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