Dear NADF Members and Friends,

We are aware that there is a backorder of Teva Pharmaceutical Industries’ product fludrocortisone acetate, with potential stoppage of production by Teva. (Barr Pharmaceuticals was acquired by Teva in 2008).

The Board of NADF has been investigating and monitoring this situation closely for the last few weeks.

Some of our members have found that the pharmacy they routinely order their medications from are telling them that they are no longer able to obtain fludrocortisone acetate. We want to inform you that there are other manufacturers of fludrocortisone acetate including Impax Laboratories, Inc. and AvKARE, which continue to make our life-preserving aldosterone hormone replacement fludrocortisone acetate, so we are not in danger at this time of a full lack of medication access.

When you attempt to order fludrocortisone acetate from your pharmacy, be sure to tell them that the product is available from other distributors and manufacturers including:

- Impax Laboratories
  - May need to be accessed via pharmaceutical distributors Ameri-Source or Cardinal; has been regularly available through OptumRx mailorder
  - Some pharmacies may need to order through “Global Pharmaceuticals” which is an arm of Impax, and some patients will see Global as the name on their packaging

- AvKARE
  - AvKare is a source for many government sponsored programs in the US, so veterans, those insured by the DOD and other government employees may need to ask for the AvKare product

The FDA’s ANDA number for this product is: 040431

Should you need assistance obtaining fludrocortisone acetate:

1.) Ask your pharmacist if they have contacted their wholesaler network and exhausted all options

2.) Contact your insurer or call the PBM/pharmacy benefits number on your insurance card

3.) If you are still not able to obtain your fludrocortisone acetate, please contact NADF at nadfsupport@nadf.us

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