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Pre-Procedure/Surgery Medication Instructions

Most medications can be taken on the morning of your procedure, with just sips of water. For most diabetic medications (other than insulin), it is best to take them after the procedure. For insulin, please talk to the insulin prescribing doctor—because you are not allowed to eat or drink after midnight, they will usually advise a dose reduction for the evening and morning before your procedure.

Some medications can increase the risk of bleeding during surgery or other procedures. Please look closely at your current medications and follow the instructions below.

If you are currently taking any of the following medications, do not stop taking them, but notify your pain center physician and consult with the prescribing physician as soon as possible. Your physician may ask you to stop taking these medications and/or prescribe you an injectable alternative prior to surgery,

Anti-platelet and Anticoagulant Drugs (AKA blood thinners)

| Generic Name | Brand Name |
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| Clopidogrel | Plavix [®] |
| Ticlopidine | Ticlid [®] |
| Warfarin | Coumadin [®] , Jantoven [®] |

If you are currently taking any of the following medications, be sure to discontinue the medication **3 days** prior to your surgery/procedure.

Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs) and NSAID-containing Products

| Generic Name | Brand Name |
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| Ibuprofen | Advil [®] , Motrin [®] |
| Flurbiprofen | Ansaid [®] |
| Ketoprofen | Orudis [®] |
| Naproxen | Anaprox [®] , Anaprox DS [®] , Naprelan [®] |
| Naproxen sodium | Aleve [®] , Naprosyn [®] , EC-Naprosyn [®] |
| Oxaprozin | Daypro [®] |
| Diclofenac sodium | Voltaren [®] , Voltaren XR [®] , Flector [®] patch |
| Diclofenac potassium | Cataflam [®] |
| Etodolac | Lodine [®] , Lodine XL [®] |
| Sulindac | Clinoril [®] |
| Ketorolac | Toradol [®] |
| Nabumetone | Relafen [®] |
| Indomethacin | Indocin [®] , Indocin SR [®] |
| Meloxicam | Mobic [®] |
| Celecoxib | Celebrex [®] |
| Diflunisal | Dolobid [®] |

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| Diclofenac/Misoprostol | Arthrotec [®] |
| Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen | Vicoprofen [®] , Reprexain [®] |
| Sumatriptan/Naproxen | Treximet [®] |

If you are currently taking any of the following medications, be sure to discontinue them **1 week** prior to your surgery/procedure. If you are taking aspirin or dipyridamole (Aggrenox) to prevent stroke, heart attack, or blood clots, then first consult with your treating internist, cardiologist, or neurologist.

Aspirin & Aspirin-containing Products

| Generic Name | Brand Name |
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| Aspirin | Ecotrin, Bayer, Ascriptin, St. Joseph's |
| Aggrenox | Dipyridamole/Aspirin |
| Carisoprodol/Aspirin | Soma Compound [®] |
| Orphenadrine/Aspirin/Caffeine | Norgesic [®] |
| Oxycodone/Aspirin | Percodan [®] |
| Butalbital/Aspirin/Caffeine | Fiorinal [®] |
| Butalbital/Aspirin/Caffeine/Codeine | Fiorinal [®] w/Codeine |
| Long-Acting NSAID: | |
| Piroxicam | Feldene [®] |

Herbal Products and Supplements

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| Garlic |
| Ginkgo Biloba |
| Glucosamine |
| Ginger |
| Green Tea |
| Fish Oil |
| Feverfew |