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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
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
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 [®]

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
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

Garlic
Ginkgo Biloba
Glucosamine
Ginger
Green Tea
Fish Oil
Feverfew