



SPINAL INJECTION MEDICATION GUIDELINES

Medications that thin your blood may increase the risk of bleeding. This can increase the risk of a hematoma (blood clot) at the injection site. For that reason, it is important to stop taking medications with blood thinning properties prior to the injection. The following are guidelines as to when to stop certain medications. If the medication is not on the list it is okay to take them. Please read through the list carefully. Your procedure may be cancelled if you have not stopped the medications at the appropriate time intervals.

OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM YOUR PRESCRIBING PHYSICIAN TO TEMPORARILY STOP BLOOD THINNERS.

8 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE STOP TAKING:

PLAVIX	TICLID	PLETAL
AGGRENOX	TRENTAL	GINKO

7 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE STOP TAKING:

ASPIRIN	ALKA-SELTZER	ASPERGUM
ANACIN	BAYER	BUFFERIN
DAMASON-P	DARVON COMPOUND	DISALID
DOLOBID	EASPRIN	ECOTRIN
EMPIRIN	EXCEDERIN	FIORINAL
MEASURIN	PERCODAN	PERSATINE
SALICYLATE	SALSALATE	SOMA COMPOUND
TRILISATE	ZORPRIN	

5 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE STOP TAKING:

COUMADIN	WARFARIN	PRADAXA
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3 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE STOP TAKING:

MOTRIN * VICOPROFEN * ADVIL
IBUPROFEN * NALFON * RUFEN
MIDOL * MEDIPREN
NAPROSYN * NAPROXEN *
ALEVE * ANAPROX
LODINE * ETODOLAC * TODOLAC
FELDENE * PIROXICAM
RELAFEN * NABUMETONE
SPRIX * TORADOL* KETOROLAC
KETOPROFEN * ORUDIS
MOBIC * MELOXICAM
CLINORIL * SULINDAC

DICLOFENAC * VOLTAREN
VOLTAREN GEL * CATAFLAM
FLECTOR PATCH
ARTHROTEC
MECLOMEN * MECLOFENAMATE
DAYPRO * OXAPROZIN
INDOCIN *INDOCID*INDOMETHACIN
TANDEARIL
TOLECTIN
VITAMEN E
FISH OIL
HERBALS

1 DAY BEFORE THE PROCEDURE STOP TAKING:

LOVENOX

XARELTO