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Important Medication Information

From: Dr's Timothy H. Trone, Dr. Thomas Y. Hung & Andy T.A. Chung About Aspirin Intake Before & After Surgery

For **TEN** (10) days prior to the scheduled date of your surgery, please do not take any medication that contains aspirin as an ingredient. Aspirin has an effect on your blood's ability to clot and could increase your tendency to bleed at the time of surgery and during the postoperative period. Please check the labels of medications that you take (even those available without a prescription) to see that you do not take aspirin. It may be a good idea to contact your pharmacist about prescription medication.

The following is a list of some common aspirin-containing products:

Alka Seltzer	Darvo-Tran	Anacin
Dristan	APC	ASA
Empirin	Emprazil	Acodeen
Equagesic	Ascriptin	Excedrin
Aspergum	Fiorinal	Aspirin

Bufferin Midol Four-Way Cold Tablets Cephalgesic Norgesic Cheracol Capsules Percodan Phenaphen Children's Aspirin

Congesprin Robaxisal Cope

Corcidin Darvon Compound Darvon with ASA

Sine off Trigesic Vanquish Zactrin Baby Aspirin Motrin Ibuprofen Naproxen Coumadin Plavix Warfarin Zorprin Dalteparin Fragmin Halfprin Orgaran Tinzaparin **TNkase** Clopidogrel Lovenox injection Persantine Agrylin Anagrelide Argatroban

Many other medications contain aspirin. Be absolutely sure that you make us aware of any, and all, medications that you take and ask us if you have any questions about whether a medication contains aspirin.

If you need minor pain medication, please take **Tylenol**. Tylenol is available at your pharmacy without a prescription and has an action very similar to that of aspirin. If you are allergic to Tylenol or unable to take it for some reason, please notify us so that we might arrange for a suitable substitute.

If you are taking any **Blood Thinner** for any reason, please notify our office to make sure that you need to be off as well for 10 days, and possibly after surgery. We will need a clearance letter from your cardiologist and might need an echocardiogram, chest x-ray, EKG and blood work, some within 10 days prior to surgery date.