

For a two-week period prior to and after the scheduled date of your surgery, please do not take any medication that contains aspirin or aspirin-related products, such as ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil) as an ingredient. These medications have 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 all medicines that you take, even those available without a prescription, to make sure you are not taking any of these substances. Please consult your physician before stopping any prescribed medications.

If you need minor pain medication, please take Tylenol (acetaminophen) or another non-aspirin medicine. Tylenol or Anacin-3 are available at your local pharmacy without a prescription and have a very similar pain relief to aspirin. If you are allergic to Tylenol or unable to take it for other reasons, please notify us so that we might arrange for a suitable substitute.

Common medications and substances that can increase a patient's tendency to bleed

Aleve	Darvon with ASA	Mobigesic Tablets
Alka Seltzer	Disalcid Tablets/Caps	Naprosyn
Advil	Doan's Pills/ Regular/Extra	Norgesic/Norgesic Forte
Alcohol	Strength	Pepto-Bismol Tablets/Liquid
Anacin	Dolobid	Percodan
Anaprox	Dristan	Percodan-Demi
Anaproxn	Duradyne Tablets	Persantine
Ansaid	Easprin	Quagesic
APC	Ecotrin	Robaxisal
ASA	Empirin	Rufen
Ascriptin	Emprazil	Sine Off
Aspergum	Equagesic Tablets	Sine Aid
Aspercream	Excedrin	Soma Compound
Aspirin	Feldene	Soma Compound with
B C Powder	Fioronal	Codeine
B C Cold Powder	Flurbiprophen Sodium	Synalgos-DC Capsules
Bufferin	Four Way Cold Tabs	Talwin Compound Tablets
Buffex	Goody's Headache	Trandate
Brufen	Powers/Tablets	Trental
Cama Arthritis Pain	Ibuprofen	Trilisate
Relief	Indocin	Vanquish
Cephalgesic	Indomethacin	Voltaren
Children's Aspirin	Magsal Tablets	Wesprin
Clinoril	Meclomen	Zactrin
Congesprin	Medipren	Zorprin
Cope	Midol-200	
Coricidin	Midol PMS Caplets	
Darvon	Midol Caplets	