

Bleeding Precautions

Anticoagulant Therapy (Blood Thinners)

Anticoagulant Therapy (Blood Thinners) is used to help the body from preventing clots. These clots can cause things like strokes, heart attacks, and pulmonary embolisms.

Examples of Anticoagulants:

- Warfarin (Coumadin)
- Heparin
- Lovenox
- Eliquis
- Xarelto

When to get Medical Care?

- Bleeding that doesn't stop after 30 minutes or is very heavy
- Serious fall or head injury
- Severe headache, sudden confusion
- Coughing up blood
- Blood in vomit or vomit that looks like coffee grounds
- Bowel movements that are red or black tar like.

Heal at Home Staff Actions:

Report any signs of spontaneous bleeding or severe headaches, decreased level of consciousness, concerns to RN Case Manager or office 317-429-9875. Call 911 for possible bleeding/side effects due to anticoagulation/blood thinner therapy.

