

## **BLOOD THINNERS**

Check with your surgeon about stopping prior to surgery. Some surgical procedures require continuation of blood thinners Most Surgical Procedures require you to stop taking them 7 to 10 days prior to surgery.

Aggrenox - ASA & dipyridamole (antiplatelet)

Cilostazol - Pletal (see below)

Clopidogrel - Plavis (see below)

Enoxaparin - Lovenox (antithrombolic)

Indocin - Indomethacin (anti-inflammatory)

Plaquenil – Antimalarial, used as anti-inflammatory in rheumatoid arthritis – does not thin blood, and patient does not have to stop it

Plavix - Clopidogrel (antiplatelet)

Pletal - Cilostazol (antiplatelet - must be stopped 1 full week prior to procedure)

Pravagard PAC - aspirin & pravastatin

Trental – Pentoxifylline (decreases platelet aggregation, decreases fibrinogen concentration in blood)

Effient - (antiplatelet)

Coumadin – must stop 5 days prior to procedure

Pradaxa/Xareloto - must stop 3 days prior to procedure

Brilinta – must stop 5 days prior to procedure

Eliquis - must stop 2 days prior to procedure

The doctor **DO NOT WANT** to be notified if patient has been taking fish oil even though it is a mild blood thinner.