

Medications To STOP Before Your Procedure:

Due to the potential risk of epidural hematoma (blood clot inside the spinal canal) you are required to discontinue all medications that could inhibit your blood platelets and increase your risk of bleeding internally at the site of injection. Specifically, our policy is as follows:

***Please check with your primary care physician or cardiologist to obtain medical clearance regarding stopping your blood thinner prior to scheduled procedure. Clearance letters should be faxed to 443-825-4051 or emailed to info@GlobalPainMD.com**

- Aggrenox, Ticlid, Effient, Plavix, Pletal, Ticlid, and Trental must be discontinued for **5-7 days prior to the procedure.**
- Coumadin (Warfarin) must be discontinued for **5 days prior to the procedure.**
- Eliquis must be discontinued **3 days prior to the procedure.**
- Xarelto must be discontinued **3 days prior to the procedure.**
- Anti-inflammatories (arthritis medications) must be discontinued for 2 days prior to the procedure including: Naproxen (Naprosyn, Naprelen), Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil, Vifoprofen), Meloxicam (Mobic), Oxaprozin (Daypro), Indomethacin (Indocin), Etodolac (Lodine), Nabumatone (Relafen), Celecoxib (Celebrex) **do not need to be discontinued.**
- Aspirin and all Aspirin products (Percodan, Excedrin Migraine, Bayer, Alka-Seltzer, Goody's, Standback, Pepto-Bismol, etc.) **do not need to be discontinued.**