

Greenwich Hospital

Medications to Avoid Prior to Surgery

PATIENT/FAMILY INFORMATION SHEET

It is important to make your surgeon aware of all medications that you take (including herbals and other nonprescription products) before surgery (see GH *Perioperative Herbal Alert* patient education handout). Many medications can interfere with anesthesia or other medications prescribed before, during, and after surgery. Certain medications may also interfere with the healing process. In general, all preparations containing aspirin, salicylate and /or salicylamides, and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications (prescription and non-prescription) should be avoided, unless otherwise prescribed by your physician, as they may cause bleeding after surgery. Below is a list of medication that should be avoided before total joint surgery. If you have questions about these or any other medications, please contact your surgeon.

Advil	Bufferin Tablets
Alcohol	Bufferin Arthritis Strength Tablets
Aleve	Bufferin extra-Strength Tablets
Alka Seltzer (Effervescent Tablet)	Bufferin with Codeine #3 Tablets
Alka Seltzer (Cold Medicine Tablet)	Buffets II Tablets
Anacin Tablets and Caplets (Maximum Strength)	Buf-Tabs
Arthralgen tablets	
Arthritis Strength Bufferin Tabs	Cama Arthritis Pain Reliever
Arthropan Liquid	Celebrex
Arthrotec	Congesprin Chewable tablets
ASA Tablets Enseals	Cope tablets
Ascriptin with Codeine	Cosprin tablets
Ascriptin Tablets	Coumadin
Ascriptin AD Tablets	CP-2 Tablets
Ascriptin Extra Strength	
Aspirbuf Tablets	Darvon with ASA Pulvules
Aspergum	Darvon Compound Pulvules
Axotal Tablets	Darvon Compound 65
	Darvon N with ASA
Bayer Aspirin Tablets	Dasin Capsules
Bayer Children's Aspirin Tablets	Daypro
Bayer Children's Cold Tablets	Dinol Tablets
Bayer Timed-Release Aspirin Tablets	Disalcid Capsules
BC Tablet and Powder	Doan's Pills
Buff-A Comp #3 Tablets with Codeine	Duoprin's Syrup
Buffaprin Tablets	Duoprin Caps
	Duradyne tablets
	Durasal Tablets

Dynosal Tablets
Easprin
Ecotrin Tablets
Efficin Tablets
Emagrin Tablets
Empirin Tablets
Empirin with Codeine Tablets
Equagesic Tablets
Excedrin Tablets and Caps

Fenoprofen
Fiorinal Tablets
Fiorinal with Codeine
Four-Way Cold Tablets

Gaysal-S Tablets
Gemisin Tablets
Goody's Headache Powder

Ibuprofen
Indomethacin
Indocin
Indo-Lemmon Capsules

Lanorinal Tablets

Magan Tablets
Magsal Tablets
Marnal Caps
Maximum Bayer Aspirin
Measurin Tablets
Meclomen
Meclofenamate
Medipren
Mefenamic Acid
Midol Caplets
Methocarbamol with Aspirin Tablets
Micrainin Tablets
Mobidin Tablets
Mobigesic Tablets
Momentum Muscular Backache
Formula Tablets
Motrin

Nalfon
Naprosyn
Naproxen
Neocylate Tablets

Norgesic & Norgesic Forte Tablets
Nuprin

Orudis
OS-Cal Gestic Tablets

Pablate
Pablate-SF Tablets
Pepto Bismol Tablets and Suspensior
Percodan & Percodan-ASA Demi Tablet
Persistin Tablets
Plavix
Propoxyphene Compound 65
Piroxicam (Feldene)

Robaxisal Tablets
Rufen

S-A-C Tablets
St. Joseph Aspirin for Children
St. Joseph Cold Tablets for Children
Sine-off Sinus Medicine Tablets
SK-65 Compound Caps
Stanback Tablets and Powder
Supac Caps
Synalgos Caps
Synalgos-DC Capsules

Talwin Compound Tablets
Trendar
Tolectin
Triaminicin Tablets
Trigsesic
Trilisate Tablets & Liquid
Ultram
Uracel

Vanquish
Verin
Vitamin E Supplement
Voltaren

Zorprin Tablets