



MEDICATION REFERENCE CARD

DRUG CATEGORY: ANTI-COAGULANTS

Drug Brand Name (Generic):

Coumadin; Jantoven (Warfarin)

Eliquis (Apixaban)

Xarelto (Rivaroxaban)

Lovenox (Enoxaparin)

Pradaxa (Dabigatran Etexilate Mesylate)

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SITUATION

Symptoms associated with anti-coagulants:

- Bleeding (e.g., blood in urine/stool/vomitus, bleeding gums, vaginal bleeding, oozing from superficial injuries, epistaxis)
- Severe headache, head injury (i.e., resulted from fall)
- Bruising

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BACKGROUND

- Indications (not limited to): deep vein thrombosis, atrial fibrillation, and pulmonary embolism; certain mechanical heart valves
- Other diagnoses, co-morbidities, other medications, recent medication changes, recent pertinent labs
- Significant drug interactions: Prilosec (Omeprazole), NSAIDS e.g., Motrin (Ibuprofen), anti-platelets, certain antibiotics

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ASSESSMENT/APPEARANCE

- Prothrombin time (PT)/international normalized ratio (INR) trend
- Change in vital signs (e.g., decreased blood pressure/increased pulse)
- Skin color changes
- Change in behavior or mental status

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RECOMMENDATIONS/REQUESTS

Contact the resident's physician or practitioner:

- Can the resident be managed in the facility?
- Are there new lab orders?
- Are there new medication orders?