

## **Patient Instructions for Vascular Procedures**

The Surgery Suite Nurse will call you the day before your procedure to give you a time of arrival. If you have any questions, please call 706-549-8306 and ask to speak with a **Nurse in the Surgery Suite.** 

- Nothing to eat or drink after midnight the day before procedure. (You may take BP, Heart, Seizure, Thyroid, Reflux medications with a sip of water the morning of the procedure.)
- Please arrange for someone to drive you home from your procedure. You will need someone to be with you at all times for 24 hours after procedure in case of emergency.
- University Vascular reserves the right not to perform your procedure, if you do not bring a driver with you or if you have eaten.

It is essential that the following medications be held prior to your procedure (Failure to do so may cause a <u>delay</u> or even <u>cancellation</u> of your procedure:

- Metformin (Brand Names: Glucophage, Glumetza, Fortamet): Hold 48 hours prior to procedure
  - Some medications that include metformin are:
    - Avandamet
    - Glucovance
    - Metaglip
    - Jentadueto
    - ActosPlus Met (regular Actos does not contain metformin)
    - PrandiMet
    - Janumet
- Coumadin (Warfarin, Jantoven): Hold 3 days prior to procedure
- Pradaxa: Hold 3 days prior to procedure
  Eliquis: Hold 48 hours prior to procedure
  Xarelto: Hold 24 hours prior to procedure
  Effient: Hold 24 hours prior to procedure
  Lovenox: Hold 12 hours prior to procedure
- Insulin/other diabetic medications: Hold morning of procedure
- Plavix (Clopidogrel): Do not stop
- Aspirin: Do not stop
  Zontivity: Do not stop
  Brilinta: Do not stop

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that you will be in our surgery suite for several hours.