

Medication Deferral List

DO NOT STOP taking medications prescribed by your doctor in order to donate blood.

Donating while taking these drugs could have a negative effect on your health or on the health of the recipient of your blood.

PLEASE TELL US IF YOU:

Are being treated with the following types of medications:	or have taken:		which is also called:	anytime in the last:
Anti-platelet agents: Usually taken to prevent stroke or heart attack (deferral applies only to platelet donations via apheresis)	Feldene		piroxicam	2 days
	Effient		prasugrel	3 days
	Brilinta		ticagrelor	7 days
	Plavix		clopidogrel	14 days
	Ticlid		ticlopidine	
	Zontivity		vorapaxar	1 month
Anticoagulants or “blood thinners”: Usually to prevent blood clots in the legs and lungs and to prevent strokes (deferral applies only to platelet and/or plasma donations via apheresis)	Arixtra		fondaparinux	2 days
	Xarelto		rivaroxaban	
	Fragmin		dalteparin	
	Lovenox		enoxaparin	
	Pradaxa		dabigatran	
	Eliquis		apixaban	
	Savaysa		edoxaban	
	Coumadin, Warfilone, Jantoven		warfarin	7 days
Heparin, low molecular weight heparin				
Acne treatment	Accutane, Amnesteem, Absorica, Claravis, Myorisan, Sotret, Zenatane		isotretinoin	1 month
Multiple myeloma	Thalomid		thalidomide	1 month
	Revlimid		lenalidomide	
Rheumatoid arthritis	Rinvoq		upadacitinib	1 month
Hair loss remedy	Propecia		finasteride	1 month
Prostate symptoms	Proscar		finasteride	1 month
	Avodart, Jalyn		dutasteride	6 months
Immunosuppressant	Cellcept		mycophenolate mofetil	6 weeks
Hepatitis exposure	Hepatitis B Immune Globulin		HBIG	3 months
HIV Prevention (also known as PrEP or PEP)	Any medication taken by mouth (oral) to prevent HIV	Truvada	emtricitabine and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate	3 months
		Descovy	emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide	
	Injectable HIV prevention	Apretude	cabotegravir	2 years
Basal cell skin cancer	Erivedge		vismodegib	2 years
	Odomzo		sonidegib	
Relapsing multiple sclerosis	Aubagio		teriflunomide	2 years
Rheumatoid arthritis	Arava		leflunomide	2 years
Psoriasis	Soriatane		acitretin	3 years
	Tegison		etretinate	EVER
HIV treatment	Any medication to treat HIV. May also be called antiretroviral therapy (ART).			EVER
Experimental Medication				As defined by the Medical Director