

### Drug Category Anticoagulant

Brand Name	Generic
Coumadin; Jantoven	Warfarin
Eliquis	Apixaban
Lovenox	Enoxaparin
Pradaxa	Dabigatran Etexilate Mesylat
Xarelto	Rivaroxaban

### S - Situation

Symptoms associated with anti-coagulants:

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

### B - 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

### A - 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

### SBAR

<b>S</b>	<b>Situation:</b> patient's / client's details - identify reason for this communication, describe your concern
<b>B</b>	<b>Background:</b> relating to the patient / client, significant history - this may include medications, investigations, treatments
<b>A</b>	<b>Assessment:</b> your assessment of the patient / client or situation - this can include clinical impression, concerns, vital signs, early warning score
<b>R</b>	<b>Recommendations:</b> be specific - explain what you need, make suggestions, clarify expectations, confirm actions to be taken

### R - 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?

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