PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOOD AND MEDICATIONS TO AVOID PRIOR TO SURGERY

For the best possible results and to ensure your safety, please carefully read and follow the instructions on both sides of this form. For your safety, we reserve the right to cancel your surgery if you fail to follow these instructions.

ASPIRIN

We strongly recommend that you take no cough or cold medication (or over-the-counter medications) for two weeks before your surgical procedure. Note: If during the two weeks before your operation, you desire pain relief for a tension headache, menstrual cramps or other minor aches and pains, you may take plain Tylenol (acetaminophen). If in doubt about any medication, please check with your local pharmacist.

Aspirin interferes with normal blood clotting. The drugs on the following list contain aspirin, salicylates, and /or salicylamides. Unless otherwise instructed, these drugs should be

AVOIDED for TWO WEEKS BEFORE AND AFTER YOUR SURGERY.

Note: this is not a complete list. Other products may also contain aspirin, salicylates and/or salicylamides. Occasionally, products may be reformulated to add or remove aspirin, salicylates and/or salicylamides. We encourage you to thoroughly read every label or every drug you take and know what it contains.

Advil Aleve Alka-Seltzer Alka-Seltzer Plus Anacin Tablets/Capsules Argesic Tablets Anodynos Tablets Arthritis Pain Formula Arthritis Strength Bufferin Arthropan Liquid ASA Tablets & Enseals Ascriptin (all forms) Asperbuf Tablets Aspergum Axotal Tablets Bayer Aspirin Tablets Bayer's Children's Aspirin Bayer Cold Tablets Bayer Time Release Tablets BC Tablets & Powder **Buffaprin Tablets Bufferin Tablets Buff-A Comp Tablets** Bufferin, Arthitis Strength Bufferin, Extra Strength Buffets Il Tablets **Buffinol Tablets** Buf- Tabs Carna Arthritis Pain Reliever Congesperin Tablets Cope Tablets

Cosprin Tablet

Darvon with ASA Darvon Compound 65 Darvon-N Dasin Tablets Dinol Tablets Disalcid Capsules Doan's Pills Duoprin Duoprin-S Syrup **Duradyne Tablets** Durasal Dynosal **Ecotrin Tablets** Efficin Tablets Easprin Emagrin Emprin Tablets Excedrin Tablets/caps Equagesic Tablets 4-Way Cold Tablets Fiorinal Gaysal -S Tablets Gemnisin Tablets Goody's Headache Powder Ibuprofen Supac Lanorinal Tablets Magan Tablets Magsal Tablets Marnal Capsules Maximum Strength Bayer Measurin Tablets Midol Caplets Micranin Tablets

Motrin Neocylate Tablets Norgesic and Norgesic Forte Tablets Os-Cal-Gesic Tablets Pabalate Pabalate-SF-Tablets Pepto-Bismol Tablets and Suspension Percodan Propoxyphene Compound Persistin Tablets Robaxisal Tablets S-A-C Tablets St. Joseph Aspirin St. Joseph Cold Tablets Saleto Tablets Salocol Tablets Sin-Off Sinus Medication SK-65 Compound Capsules

Mobidin Tablets

Momentum Tablets

Synalgos Capsules Talwin Compound Tablets Triaminic Tablets Trigesic Trilisate Tablets Uracel Vanquish Caplets

Stanback Tablets

Verin

The following foods contain SALICYLATES, which can affect the blood clotting factor. Heavy ingestion of these foods can result in a prolonged bleeding time. Therefore, these foods should be kept to a minimum for TWO WEEKS BEFORE AND AFTER YOUR SURGERY. This does not mean that you cannot eat these foods. It does mean that they should be consumed in moderation.

ALMONDS **NECTARINES**

APRICOTS ORANGES (grapefruit, lemons, lime are permitted) BERRIES (blackberry, boysenberry, raspberry, strawberry, gooseberry)

CHERRIES PEACHES **CUCUMBER PICKLES CURRANTS PLUMS GRAPES PRUNES**

(any product made from grapes-wine **TOMATOES** wine vinegar, jellies, raisins) Curry Powder

ASPIRIN, VITAMIN E and ANTI-INFLAMMATORY medications are the most commonly used substances that cause increased bleeding during or after a surgical operation. It is IMPERATIVE that patients follow instructions carefully and AVOID ASPIRIN, VITAMIN E AND ANTI-INFLAMMATORY medications for TWO WEEKS BEFORE AND AFTER SURGERY. If you take aspirin daily or mulitvitamins that contain Vitamin E, please discontinue their use. Do not discontinue taking any anti-inflammatory medications without discussing with your physician as withdrawal symptoms may occur.

The FOLLOWING DRUGS OR SUBSTANCES MAY CAUSE INCREASED BLEEDING DURING OR AFTER YOUR SURGICAL PROCEDURE. PLEASE NOTIFY OUR OFFICE IF YOU ARE TAKING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MEDICATIONS OR SUBSTANCES:

ANTIBIOTICS VITAMINS **ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES** Nicobid (niacin)

Doxycycline Flagyl Mystecin F Tetracycline

Sulfonamides Streptomycin Vibramycin

ESTROGENS Premarin (not creams) Birth Control Pills (all)

APPETITE DEPRESSANTS

Accutrim

Phenylpropanoiamine

Phentermine Plegine Tenuate Tenuate Dospan Tepanil Tepanil Ten Tab

STEROIDS

Prednisone

Hydrocortisone (not creams)

Vitamin E Advil

Anaprox

Butazolidin Clinoril ANTI-COAGULANTS Feldene Aspirin Flexeril Coumadin Indocin Heparin Ibuprofen Lioresal Warfarin Motrin Nalfon Naprosyn Nuprin

MISCELLANEOUS

Chlor-Trimeton Digitalis

Fish Oil Concentrate

Inderal Quinidine

Tolectin

Tolectin DS

Ru-Tuss Tablets/liquid

Tagament Thiazide