

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 ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF MEDICATIONS:	OR HAVE TAKEN:	WHICH IS ALSO CALLED:	ANYTIME IN THE LAST:
Antiplatelet agents (usually taken to prevent stroke or heart attack)	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 taken to prevent blood clots in the legs and lungs and to prevent strokes)	Arixtra	fondaparinux	2 days
	Eliquis	apixaban	
	Fragmin	dalteparin	
	Lovenox	enoxaparin	
	Pradaxa	dabigatran	
	Savaysa	edoxaban	
	Xarelto	rivaroxaban	
	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	
Rheumatoid arthritis	Rinvoq	upadacitinib	
Hair loss remedy	Propecia	finasteride	
Prostate symptoms	Proscar	finasteride	
	Avodart Jalyn	dutasteride	6 Months
Immunosuppressant	Cellcept	mycophenolate mofetil	6 weeks
HIV Prevention (PrEP and PEP)	Truvada, Descovy, Tivicay, Isentress	Tenofovir, emtricitabine, dolutegravir, raltegravir	3 months
Basal cell skin cancer	Erivedge Odomzo	vismodegib sonidegib	24 months
Relapsing multiple sclerosis	Aubagio	teriflunomide	
Rheumatoid arthritis	Arava	leflunomide	
Hepatitis exposure	Hepatitis B Immune Globulin	HBIG	12 months
Experimental Medication or Unlicensed (Experimental) Vaccine			
Psoriasis	Soriatane	acitretin	36 months
	Tegison	etretinate	Ever
HIV treatment also known as antiretroviral therapy (ART)			

For additional information, please see back of page.

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Some medications affect your eligibility as a blood donor for the following reasons:

Antiplatelet agents affect platelet function, so people taking these drugs should not donate platelets for the indicated time. You may still be able to donate whole blood or red blood cells by apheresis.

Anticoagulants or "blood thinners" are used to treat or prevent blood clots in the legs, lungs, or other parts of the body, and to prevent strokes. These medications affect the blood's ability to clot, which might cause excessive bruising or bleeding when you donate. You may still be able to donate whole blood or red blood cells by apheresis.

Isotretinoin, finasteride, dutasteride acitretin and etretinate can cause birth defects. Your donated blood could contain high enough levels to damage the unborn baby if transfused to a pregnant woman.

Thalomid (thalidomide), Erivedge (Vismodegib), Odomxo (sonidegib), Aubagio (teriflunomide), Rinvoq (upadacitinib) may cause birth defects or the death of an unborn baby if transfused to a pregnant woman.

Cellcept (mycophenolate mofetil) and Arava (leflunomide) are immunosuppressants which may cause birth defects or the death of an unborn baby if transfused to a pregnant woman.

PrEP or pre-exposure prophylaxis involves taking a specific combination of medicines as a prevention method for people who are HIV negative and at high risk of HIV infection.

PEP or post-exposure prophylaxis is a short-term treatment started as soon as possible after a high-risk exposure to HIV to reduce the risk of infection.

ART or antiretroviral therapy is the daily use of a combination of HIV medicines (called an HIV regimen) to treat HIV infection.

Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (HBIG) is an injected material used to prevent hepatitis B infection following a possible or known exposure to hepatitis B. HBIG does not prevent hepatitis B infection in every case, therefore, persons who have received HBIG must wait to donate blood.

Experimental Medication or Unlicensed (Experimental) Vaccine is usually associated with a research study, and the effect on the safety of transfused blood is unknown.

ADDITIONAL MEDICATIONS 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:
Antiplatelet agents	Persantine	dipyridamole	2 days
	Aggrenox	aspirin/extended release dipyridamole	
	Fiorinal Fiormor Fiortal Fortabs Lanroif	butalbital/aspirin/caffeine	
	Soma Compound	aspirin and carisoprodol	
Prostate Cancer	Lupron Lupron Depot Eligrard Viadur	leuprolide acetate	6 months
Menstrual disorder treatment Or Endometriosis	Aygestin	norethindrone acetate (Norethindrone acetate is also a component in some birth control drugs. If you are taking norethindrone acetate for birth control ONLY, you are eligible to donate today.)	
Atrial fibrillation treatment	Multaq	dronedarone	2 days
Direct thrombin inhibitors	Acova	argatroban	
Direct Xa inhibitors	Betrixaban Darexaban Otamixaban Lixiana	N/A edoxaban	
Acne treatment	Tazorac cream	tazarotene	1 month
Autoimmune treatment	IVIg	intravenous immunoglobulin	12 months