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Warfarin Cheat Sheet

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Action

Blocks Vitamin K at sites of action

Indications

Stroke/TIA

A-fib

DVT

-May be used with children
-Decrease dose with elderly patients

Contraindications

Blood disorders

Hepatic Disease

GI Ulceration

All above diseases + warfarin can cause fatal bleeding

BLACK BOX WARNING

MajoriBleeding

Pregnancy Category X

Fetal Warfarin Syndrome (FWS)	Developmental delays
	Low birth weight
	Poor growth

Adverse Effect

Bleeding

Drug Interactions

Increase effects of warfarin:	Decrease Warfarin Effects:
-NSAIDS	-Birth Control
-Bactrim	-Spironolactone
-PPIs	-Haldol
	-H2 blockers
	-Aprepitant

Administration

Half-life = 24-72 hrs

Remains in system 4-5 days

PO at night at the same time

*highly protein bound therefore absorption is heavily impacted by food and protein levels in body

Nursing Interventions

Monitor Labs: CBC & PT/INR

Administer antidote if OD occurs	Vitamin K
Educate pt. about diet	Instruct patient to eat the same amount of foods containing vitamin K every week
Emaciate Patients	Not DOC because the decrease protein in blood increase risk of toxicity

Expected Lab values

CBC	no indication of thrombocytopenia
PT	18-30 seconds
INR	2-3

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