

DRUG CARD

Warfarin

Coumadin

Generic Name

Trade Name

Pharmacologic Class: • Coumarins

Therapeutic Class: • Anticoagulant

Action: Disrupts liver synthesis of Vitamin K dependent clotting factors

Indication:

- Venous thrombosis
- Pulmonary embolism
- A-fib
- Myocardial infarction

Reason Given (Disease States): _____

Nursing Process

Pre-Administration Assessment:	Post Administration Evaluation:	Nursing Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contraindicated with bleeding, severe hypertension• Can cause bleeding• Aspirin and NSAIDs can increase risk of bleeding• Azole antifungals increase effects of warfarin• Cimetadine(Tagamet) increases warfarin levels• Obtain full history of supplements and herbs• Large amounts of vitamin K may antagonize effects of warfarin• Assess for signs of bleeding• Therapeutic levels: PT 1.3-1.5, INR 2.5-3.5• Instruct patient to report any signs of bleeding• Patient should not drink alcohol• Bleeding times need to be monitored frequently• Vitamin K is antidote
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Other: _____

