

Patient Agreement
Community Anticoagulation Therapy (CAT) Clinic

Patient name: _____

To maintain enrollment in the CAT Clinic I will:

Labs

- Have INRs drawn on scheduled dates
- Have INRs drawn before 10:00 AM. This is so the CAT Clinic receives my lab results and, if needed, can talk with my doctor.
- Be available on lab draw days so the CAT Clinic nurse can inform me of the results of my INR and dose changes of my warfarin/Coumadin.
- If I have not heard from the CAT Clinic nurse by 5 pm, I will take my normal dose of warfarin/Coumadin and call the CAT Clinic the next business day for further instruction.

Warfarin/Coumadin

- Follow orders for my warfarin/Coumadin and how to take it. I will **not** self-adjust my warfarin/Coumadin dose.
- Tell the CAT Clinic by noon of the next day if:
 - I start a new drug (even over-the-counter drugs).
 - A current drug dosage has changed or stopped.
- Tell The CAT Clinic staff if I have dental work (not teeth cleaning), surgery, and other invasive tests such as colonoscopy or biopsies. My doctor may tell me to stop taking warfarin/Coumadin for several days before the test and start again after the test. The CAT Clinic nurse is not responsible for following patients when warfarin/Coumadin is changed for tests.

Other

- Participate in education provided by the CAT Clinic staff
- Keep all scheduled visits with my doctor
- Keep scheduled lab draw dates
- Give the CAT Clinic staff a telephone number
- Call my doctor for medical problems or drugs that do not have to do with my warfarin/Coumadin treatment

I have read the above information and agree to all of the above items.

Please sign, date, and bring to your appointment.

Patient signature: _____ Date: _____

Referring doctor: _____