

Community
Anticoagulation
Therapy
Clinic

DOCUMENT TITLE	NUMBER	REV
Prescription Guideline	6510CATC	1

PURPOSE (outline the intent or objective of the document)

To outline the process of ordering warfarin or coumadin via the telephone from the patient's pharmacy.

DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS (provide clear understanding to words, abbreviations that may be ambiguous)

CAT Clinic – Community Anticoagulation Therapy Clinic

PROCEDURE/FLOWCHART (describe the steps in which work objectives are achieved; include statements, to the extent necessary, that explain the why, when, where, who and how)

1. Upon enrollment in the CAT Clinic, the CAT clinic nurse may initially call in a 30 day supply of warfarin or coumadin with no refills.
2. If the patient is compliant with all scheduled lab draws, and keeps all scheduled appointments, the CAT clinic nurse can call in a 90 days supply with no refills.
3. The CAT clinic nurse will rescind the prescription if the patient fails to have an INR within 7 days of the next scheduled INR. The CAT clinic nurse will notify the referring physician and send an e-mail letter.
4. The CAT clinic nurse can call in different tablet strengths if there is a change needed, per the warfarin guideline.
5. The CAT clinic nurse will not call in any of the patients other routine medications.

RECORDS (results or evidence of work performed)

Missed/Overdue Labs 6504CATC
 Overdue Medication 6513CATC

REVISION HISTORY			
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1	Changed protocol to guideline	J. Levett, MD	2/24/06