

## **Pre-Surgery Instructions**

- Your surgery with Dr. Kelley will require local anesthesia to numb the area and surrounding tissue. Please inform us before the surgery if you have an allergy to any medication, including antibiotics, anesthesia (such as lidocaine), or pain medications.
- We would like to know if you have an artificial heart valve or a pacemaker, or if your previous physicians have ever recommended that you take an antibiotic before any procedure.
- To help the doctor reduce the chance of bleeding, you should **avoid taking PLAVIX**, HERBAL PRODUCTS, ASPIRIN, BABY ASPIRIN, OR OTHER BLOOD THINNERS FOR <u>7 DAYS</u> <u>PRIOR TO SURGERY</u>. DISCONTINUE COUMADIN <u>3 DAYS PRIOR TO SURGERY</u>.
  - Please consult your cardiologist or PCP in regards to stopping these medications.
  - Please contact our office if you are not cleared to stop these medications.
  - Should you need pain medication before or after surgery, you may take Tylenol or Ibuprofen.
- If you have any questions about your medications, please call our office at least one week before your surgery to obtain clarification.
- YOU <u>SHOULD</u> EAT BREAKFAST AND A LIGHT LUNCH ON THE DAY OF YOUR SURGERY.

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