

GASTROSTOMY TUBE PLACEMENT

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2/1/2026

Cerner EMR Order Name	Dept Order Entry Order Name
IR Gastric Tube Placement	IR Gastric Tube Placement

For Providers

- Diabetic medication instructions:
 - Do not take any oral diabetes medications the morning of your procedure.
 - Do not take short-acting insulin the morning of your procedure.
 - Take only half your usual dose of long-acting insulin the evening before your procedure. Do not take long-acting insulin the morning of your procedure.
 - Monitor your blood glucose throughout the day and take glucose tablets as needed.
 - If you use an insulin pump, please contact your endocrinologist for further instructions.
- BMP (only in patients with renal disease)
- **Receive moderate sedation:** yes + local anesthesia

For Schedulers

- Requirements in **For Provider** section also apply.
- **Need imaging/radiologist review:** yes - A CT or MRI of the abdomen is needed prior to gastrostomy tube placement to determine whether there is a safe percutaneous window into the stomach.
- **Need H&P:** yes updated within 30 days of procedure date (must include heart & lungs exam)
- **Need a driver:** yes
- **Need bed in Short Stay / PACU:** yes
- **Need an IV:** yes
- **Arrival time:** 2 hrs prior to appointment
- **Stay after procedure:** 2 hrs after procedure
- **Rads that do procedure:** Agrait (MA), Cohen (DC), Edwards (JE), Hoffman (RH), Parsons (CP), Rezaei (AR), Sherard (DS)

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- Blood thinner hold and resume times:

	Higher Risk Procedures	
	Hold	Resume
Aspirin (all strengths)	3-5 days	24 hrs
Ibuprofen (Motrin)		
Diclofenac (Voltaren)	12-24 hrs	immediately
Ketoprofen (Orudis)		
Ketorolac (Toradol)	24 hrs	immediately
Indomethacin (Indocin)		
Etodolac (Lodine)	2 days	immediately
Diflunisal (Dolobid)	2-3 days	immediately
Naproxen (Aleve)		
Sulindac (Clinoril)	3-4 days	immediately
Meloxicam (Mobic)	4 days	immediately
Nabumetone (Relafen)	6 days	immediately
Piroxicam (Feldene)	10 days	immediately
Celecoxib (Celebrex)		
Cilostazol (Pletal)	no hold	immediately
Heparin	4-6 hrs (IV) 6 hrs (SQ)	6-8 hrs
Enoxaparin (Lovenox)	12 hrs (if once daily) 24 hrs (if twice daily)	12 hrs
Dalteparin (Fragmin)	24 hrs	12 hrs
Warfarin (Coumadin)	hold until INR \leq 1.8	24 hrs
Clopidogrel (Plavix)	5 days	6 hrs (75 mg dose) 24 hrs (higher dose)
Ticagrelor (Brilinta)	5 days	24 hrs
Prasugrel (Effient)	7 days	24 hrs
Aspirin/Dipyridamole (Aggrenox)	3-5 days	24 hrs
Fondaparinux (Arixtra)	2-3 days (GFR \geq 50) 3-5 days (GFR < 50)	24 hrs
Argatroban (Acova)	2-4 hrs	4-6 hrs
Bivalirudin (Angiomax)	2-4 hrs	4-6 hrs
Apixaban (Eliquis)	2 days (GFR \geq 50) 3 days (GFR < 50)	24 hrs
Dabigatran (Pradaxa)	2 days (GFR \geq 50) 3-4 days (GFR < 50)	24 hrs
Rivaroxaban (Xarelto)	2 days (GFR \geq 30) 3 days (GFR < 30)	24 hrs
Betrixaban (Bevyxxa)	3 days	24 hrs
Edoxaban (Savaysa)	2 days	24 hrs
Ticlopidine (Ticlid)	7 days	24 hrs
Desirudin (Iprivask)	4 hrs	1 hr
Abciximab (ReoPro)	24 hrs	per Cardiology
Eptifibatide (Integrilin)	4-8 hrs	per Cardiology
Tirofiban (Aggrastat)		

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