NEPHROSTOMY CATHETER PLACEMENT

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8/31/2026

Cerner EMR Order Name	Dept Order Entry Order Name
IR Nephrostomy Tube Place Right or Left	IR Nephrostomy Tube Place Right or Left

For Providers

- **Need to hold blood thinners:** yes (per chart below)
- **Need to hold diabetic medications:** yes (per infomation below)
- **Need to hold other meds:** no
- **Need to be NPO:** yes (8 hrs for food and non clear liquids, 2 hrs for clear liquids)
- **Need blood work:** yes within 72 hrs (inpatients) or within 30 days (outpatients)
  - CBC w/o differential *(platelets ≥50k)*
  - PT/INR *(INR ≤1.8)*
  - BMP
- **Receive moderate sedation:** yes + local anesthesia

For Schedulers

- Requirements in **For Provider** section also apply.
- **Need imaging/radiologist review:** yes
- **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), Padula (PA), Parsons (CP), Rezaei (AR), Sherard (DS)
- Order needs to specify side (right/left).

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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) **Ketoprofen** (Orudis)	12-24 hrs	immediately
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 ≤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 ≥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 ≥50) 3 days (GFR <50)	24 hrs
Dabigatran (Pradaxa)	2 days (GFR ≥50) 3-4 days (GFR <50)	24 hrs
Rivaroxaban (Xarelto)	2 days (GFR ≥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) **Tirofiban** (Aggrastat)	4-8 hrs	per Cardiology

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- 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.