When you have had a stroke caused by a bleed, it is very important to avoid medications that prevent clots. These include anti-coagulants, anti-platelets, anti-inflammatory medications, aspirin, and medications and products that contain aspirin. These medications could be harmful to you. Always tell your doctors about your stroke when medications are being prescribed for you.

Follow these precautions until your doctor tells you that you no longer to avoid these medications.

**Anti-coagulants**

Anti-coagulants are often called blood thinners and are prescribed to help prevent clots from forming in blood vessels. Some anticoagulants are:

- Coumadin® (warfarin)
- Eliquis® (apixaban)
- Heparin
- Lovenox® (enoxaparin)
- Pradaxa® (dabigatran)
- Xarelto® (rivaroxaban)

**Anti-platelets**

These are also prescribed to prevent clots from forming and include:

- Aggrenox® (acetylsalicylic acid and dipyridamole)
- Aspirin (acetylsalicylic acid).
- Brilinta® (ticagrelor)
- Effient® (prasugrel)
- Plavix® (clopidogrel)
- Ticlid® (ticlopidine)
Many medications contain aspirin (acetylsalicylic acid). These can be prescription and over-the-counter and be used to treat arthritis, colds, and pain. **Make sure to carefully read the labels. Ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions.**

Listed below are **some** of the medications and products that contain aspirin:

- Alka-Seltzer Plus Sinus
- Alka-Seltzer with Aspirin
- Alka-Seltzer Plus Cold
- Alka-Seltzer Extra Strength
- Anacin Caplets and Tablets
- Arthritis Pain Formula
- Arthritis Strength BC Powder
- Ascriptin
- Aspergum
- Aspir-Low
- Aspirtab
- Bayer Aspirin Products
- Bayer Children's Aspirin
- BC Powder
- Buffosal
- Bufferin Products
- Canasa Suppositories
- Doan’s Backache Plus
- Easprin
- Ecotrin Products
- Equagesic
- Equaline
- Excedrin products –
  - Back and Body
  - Extra Strength
- Fiorinal Capsules and Tablets
- Fiorinal with Codeine
- Goody’s Powders
- Goodsense Products
- Halfprin Products
- Healthprin Products
- Kaopectate
- Menstrual Complete Migraine
- Momentum
- Norwich Aspirin Products
- Orphenedrine
- Orphenedrine Forte
- PAC Analgesic Tablets
- Pepto Bismol
- Percodan
- Soma Compound
- Soma with Codeine
- St. Joseph’s Aspirin
- Stanback Powder
- Stanback Max Powder
- Synalges-DC
- Tri-Buffered Aspirin Products
- Vanquish Analgesic Caplets
- Zorprin