

## Please note

- **Never** go more than **12 weeks** with out having an **INR blood test**
- Always remember to **bring your warfarin book** to clinic.
- If you have been unwell, are taking any new medications or are **concerned about your warfarin for any reason** please contact the clinic and we will arrange an earlier appointment for you.
- If the date of your next visit is not suitable for you we will be happy to change it for you.
- Please **let us know** if there is a **delay** in you receiving your warfarin book.
- Always **bring your Warfarin Book** and your **prescription** to your Pharmacy when **collecting your warfarin tablets**.

The Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) are happy to receive all feedback.

PALS can be contacted by phone or email:



01 809 3234 / 2427



pals@beaumont.ie



Date Issued: Nov. 2020, Sept 2022, May 2023, Jan 2025  
Review Date: Jan 2028  
Author(s) Warfarin Clinic  
Approved by: Warfarin Clinic



Beaumont Hospital

## Warfarin Patient's

# Blood Test Service

**Blood Test - Phlebotomy Department  
Beaumont Hospital**

Monday and Wednesday 8am - 11:20am  
Tuesday and Thursday 8am - 11:40am  
Friday 8am - 10:50am

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**



**01-809 3982** [Secretary]

**01-809 3497** [Nurse]

8:00am - 4:00pm Monday - Friday



**Patient Information  
Leaflet**

## Warfarin Service

Please attend on day of your appointment

Do not attend without appointment, please phone (01) 809 3982 for appointment

We will arrange the soonest appointment available.

Bring your yellow book to each visit and leave it with staff in the Blood Room.

Leave completed questionnaire with staff in the Blood Room.

If you need to fill out a blank questionnaire on arrival be sure to put your name on top and hospital MRN number.

On arrival in Blood testing, please check in at reception

Take a ticket and a seat and wait for your number to be called.

Inform the Warfarin Clinic if you may be late or cannot attend your appointment.

Attend at appointment time only. If early, you may be asked to wait. If late you may be asked to re-schedule for a different day.

When your number is called a blood test will be taken from your arm for an INR test.

It is very important to fill in questionnaire at each visit and inform us of :

- Any **missed** doses or **incorrect** doses of Warfarin
- Any **new medications** including **complementary medicines - Vitamin Supplements.**
- Any **change** to existing medications.
- Any **recent illness** or **hospital admissions**
- Any change in **lifestyle** e.g. Holidays, change in diet.
- Any appointment for **dental** or **surgical** procedures.
- Once blood is taken you may leave the clinic.

### What happens next ?

The clinic Nurses or Doctors will process the result of your blood test same day where possible.

If your reading is high or low and your dose is changing we will phone you with your new dose.

It is important to be contactable the day of and the morning following your blood test and have a pen and paper ready by the phone.

If you do not receive a telephone call, take your usual warfarin dose until your Warfarin Book arrives in the post.

Be sure to check the warfarin dose and next appointment date in your book when it arrives.

If you have not received your Warfarin Booklet within 3 - 4 working days of your clinic visit please contact the clinic.

If you are working and not able to take telephone calls, please phone for your result after 2:00pm (01) 809 3982

#### **N.B.**

**If you notice any signs of abnormal bleeding or bruising please inform your G.P. or go to your nearest Emergency Department.**