FOR ALL PROCEDURES

PRIOR TO STOPPING ANY MEDICATION, PLEASE GET APPROVAL FROM YOUR PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.

- 1. Stop all **aspirin and aspirin containing medications**, **Plavix**, **Aggrenox** and other anti-platelet agents at least **5 days** prior to procedure.
- 2. Stop all anti-inflammatory medications such as **ibuprofen**, **naproxen**, **Aleve**, **Motrin**, etc., at least <u>48 hours</u> prior to procedures. Usually Celebrex, Bextra or Vioxx do not need to be stopped, but if you have any questions, please check with your doctor.
- 3. Stop **Vitamin E** and **Ginko Biloba** at least <u>5 days</u> prior to procedures.
- 4. Stop **Coumadin** at least **5 days** prior to procedures.
- 5. Stop low molecular weight heparin compounds such as **Lovenox** at least **24 hours** prior to procedure.
- 6. Stop all prescriptive or herbal **diet medication** at least <u>24 hours</u> prior to procedure.
- 7. If you are diabetic and/or take diabetes medication, please check with your doctor.

IF YOU ARE HAVING SEDATION FOR YOUR PRODECURE:

- 1. You must have an escort drive you home following your procedure. This person must be identified to the staff prior to the start of the procedure.
- 2. Cedars-Sinai policy prohibits our discharging you after sedation if you are unaccompanied this includes leaving our office via cab, bus or car service.
- 3. You may not have anything to eat for <u>8 hours</u> prior to your procedure. Nothing to drink including water, <u>6 hours</u> prior to the procedure.
- 4. If you usually take medication in the morning, please take it with just sips of water.