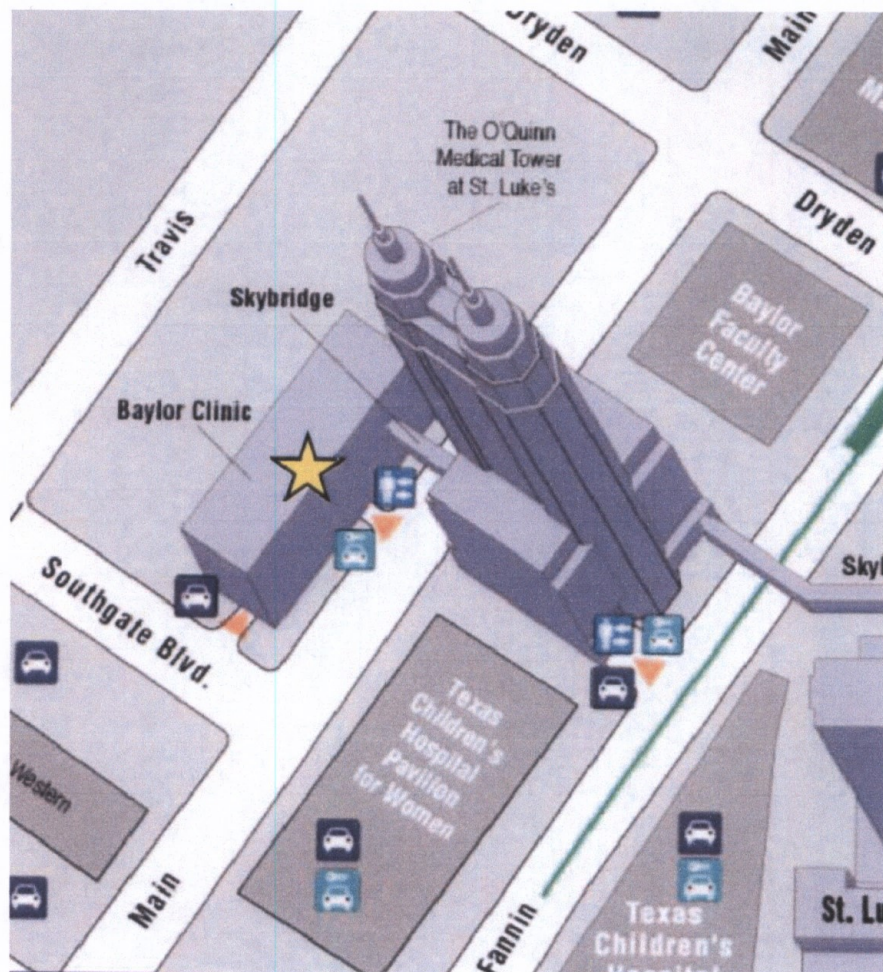


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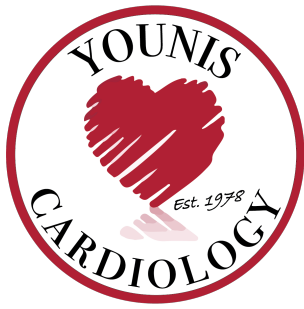
Pre-Procedure Information
Re: Metformin Containing Medication

If you are taking any of the following Metformin containing medications, it is very important that you **not take** it 48 hours prior to your procedure **AND** 48 after your procedure.

- Metformin (Glucophage, Glucophage XR, Glumetza, Fortamet, Riomet)
- Glipizide/Metformin (Metaglip)
- Glyburide/Metformin (Glucovance)
- Pioglitazone/Metformin (ActoplusMet)
- Rosiglitazone/Metformin (AvandaMet)
- Sitagliptin/Metformin (Janumet)
- Repaglinide/Metformin (PrandiMet)

Please notify the doctor managing your diabetes to make other arrangements for your blood sugar control.

If you are unsure please ask for one of our nurses to review your medications with you.



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Instructions for PDE5 Inhibitors

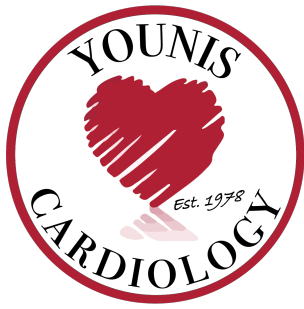
If you are taking any of the follow medications, please **DO NOT TAKE** them for 3 days prior to the procedure as it may lead profound drop in your blood pressure.

Viagra

Levitra

Cialis

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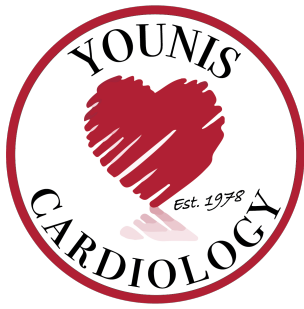
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Instructions for Iodine Allergy

Take Prednisone 50 mg tablet at each of these times:

- The night before the procedure and
- The morning of the procedure and
- On arrival to the facility for the procedure

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What to do with your blood thinners before your angiogram.

If you are taking Coumadin (warfarin), please discontinue use 5 days prior and make arrangements to have a PT/INR done first thing in the morning the day before your procedure. The blood test will need to be done stat (meaning it is resulted the same day). It is important that you call our office around noon that day for results.

If you are taking any one of the following blood thinners, please discontinue use 2 days prior to your procedure. No blood test is needed.

Eliquis (apixaban)

Pradaxa (dabigatran)

Xarelto (rivaroxaban)