

# What Medications Should I Stop Before Surgery?

Once you begin your liquid diet your routine medications may need to be adjusted.

\*\*If you have diabetes, please let your physician managing your diabetes know that you will be on an 800 calorie a day liquid diet. Insulin schedule on an individual basis, Dr Carlton will discuss a plan that is right for you.

# 1-month before surgery stop all:

- ▶ Birth control medications and hormones. These medications need to be stopped because of the potential for increased bleeding and or increased risk of blood clot
- Prednisone, steroids and immunosuppression medications

#### 2- weeks before surgery stop all:

- Appetite suppressants
- ▶ Anti-inflammatory medications (Advil, Aleve, ibuprofen, Celebrex, Naprosyn, Meloxicam, etc.)
- Herbal medications

## 3-5 days before surgery stop all:

Aspirin

## 2-days before surgery stop all:

- ACE inhibitors: (captopril (capoten), vasotec (enalapril), lotensin (benazepril), lisinopril (prinivil)
- ARB medications: (losartan (cozaar), valsartan (diovan HCT), Benicar (olmesartan), irbesartan (avapro)