Patient Safety Goal

- Reduce the likelihood of patient harm associated with the use of anticoagulant therapy.
- Follow approved guidelines for patient assessment and monitoring
- Provide patient education
- Evaluate practices for improvement opportunities

Anticoagulation Medicine

- Anticoagulation medicine inhibits blood clotting, helping to prevent blood clots.
- Blood clots can cause heart attacks and strokes.
- Anticoagulation medicines can be used with a number of diseases when there is an increased risk of blood clots.

Anticoagulation Nurse Visit

- The nurse will draw blood with a fingerstick to test your INR level.
- The Anticoagulation Team will look at the INR trends to determine the dose of medicine for you.

Anticoagulation Team

- The team includes the:
  - Patient
  - Doctor
  - Nurse
  - Pharmacist
  - Lab members
- You will see the nurse every 1 – 4 weeks in the beginning, then routinely.

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If you would like to learn more, ask your health care provider about the Anticoagulation Clinic at National Jewish Health.