

## **Medications for Bariatric Surgery**

## Medication to be taken BEFORE surgery:

Emend (Aprepitant). A nausea medication which will greatly reduce your level of nausea after surgery. Most pharmacies do not stock this medication but can order it within 24 hrs. This medication is a single pill that you <u>take 3 hours prior to surgery</u>. It's important that you estimate the hours before <u>surgery</u>, not check-in time to take the pill. If this pill is not covered or is not affordable, let us know and we will provide a coupon from <u>goodrx.com</u>.

## Medications to be taken AFTER surgery:

- **2) Zofran/phenergan** (Ondansetron/promethazine) oral dissolvable tablet for nausea. Take <u>as needed</u> (according to directions) to manage nausea after surgery.
- **3) Oral Pain Medication**: Gabapentin, Celebrex, acetaminophen. Take as directed by pharmacist
- **4) Prilosec** (Omeprazole) take once time daily after surgery until discontinued by your MD. This is ro decrease acid reflux and protect your staple line
- 5) Eliquis (Apixaban) Anticoagulant. This helps prevent blood clots. You will take this twice a day for 2 weeks post-surgery. The other clot prevention method we ask you to employ is <u>walking</u>. Walking 20 or so steps 1-2 times an hour is really important. BEGIN AFTER SURGERY

## C-Pap

If you use a c-pap machine please bring it with you to the hospital and have a friend or family member with you who can set it up after surgery. Hospital staff are unable to assemble home c-pap machines.

Please pick up all of your medications BEFORE surgery.

They should be available at your pharmacy within 48-72 hours of this visit.

If you have any questions or haven't received a call from your pharmacy within 24 hours of your pre-op appointment please call the office 480-805-1470.