

ARM / CHEST-PORT INSERTION / REMOVAL

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Required information:

- Lab work done on day of procedure includes Hct, Hbg, Platelet count, PT/INR, BUN, Creatinine. Please notify Radiology Nurse if additional lab work will be required.
- A History and Physical dated within 30 days of procedure is needed. The H&P also needs to be relevant to the procedure being performed. Please fax to Cardiovascular Lab: 598-3333 prior to procedure.
- Patient should be off Aspirin and Ibuprofen-containing medications 5 days before the procedure.
- **Patients on Coumadin:** Coumadin needs to be D/C'd 5-7 days prior to procedure. Please refer this to the physician who regulates the patient's coumadin dose.
- Patient must be NPO after midnight prior to the procedure, except for medications.
- Patient must have a ride home.
- A Radiology Nurse will be contacting the patient to review instructions.

Arm / Chest-Port Removal

Required Information:

- No lab work is necessary. If patient is on coumadin, please follow above instructions. Patient should also be off aspirin for 5 days.
- No History and Physical is required.