

Appendix C

Stroke Medication Table

This Medication Table pertains to the Guideline Stroke and Transient Ischemic Attack – Management and Prevention
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Drug	Usual adult dose	Cost per 30 days	PharmaCare coverage
ASA (G)	<i>Secondary prevention, primary prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation: 80-325 mg PO daily</i> <i>Use in emergencies: refer to text</i>	< \$1 to \$5	no coverage: ≤ 81 mg regular coverage: 325 mg, 650 mg
clopidogrel (Plavix®, G)	75 mg PO daily	\$85 \$33 (G)	limited coverage
ASA 25 mg + extended-release dipyridamole 200 mg (Aggrenox®)	ASA 25 mg (immediate-release) with dipyridamole 200 mg (extended-release) PO BID (or one capsule PO bid)	\$54	limited coverage
Warfarin (Coumadin®)	Therapy must be individualized	\$5 to \$18 for most patients	regular coverage
Dabigatran (Pradax®)	110-150 mg PO bid	under review	under review

Abbreviations: **ASA** acetylsalicylic acid; **bid** twice daily; **mg** milligrams; **PO** by mouth

PharmaCare Coverage Definitions

G: generic(s) are available

Regular coverage: also known as regular benefit; does not require Special Authority. Some types of regular benefits are only partially covered.

Limited coverage: requires Special Authority for coverage.

No coverage: does not fit the above categories.

Note: Information on which products PharmaCare covers can be obtained using the B.C. PharmaCare Formulary Search (www.health.gov.bc.ca/pharmacare/benefitslookup/). In all cases, coverage is subject to drug price limits set by PharmaCare and to the patient's PharmaCare plan rules and deductibles. See: www.health.gov.bc.ca/pharmacare/plans/index.html and www.health.gov.bc.ca/pharmacare/policy.html for further information.



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