

	Policy:	Lab- Serum Coagulopathy: INR/PTT
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Procedure:

Serum Coagulopathy: INR/PTT will be done on the following patients:

Indications:

Signs & symptoms including one or more of the following:

- Current warfarin use if bleeding
- Hemodynamic instability
- Suspected bleeding diathesis
- Acute stroke protocol
- ACS

Contraindications:

- None

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