

Renal Services

Aspirin: Information for kidney transplant patients

What is it used for?

Aspirin is used to thin your blood and prevent blood clots from occurring in your new kidney and surrounding blood vessels.

How does it work?

It works by stopping your blood from clotting as quickly as normal.

How do I take it?

You should take it once daily with food to help prevent side effects. You may need to take aspirin for at least three months after your transplant; your doctor will then decide whether this is required. .

Aspirin is available as 75mg soluble tablets, or enteric coated tablets.

Are there any side effects?

You may have an upset stomach with sickness and indigestion.

If you have asthma, this can sometimes be made worse by aspirin. Let your doctor know if you are asthmatic or have had a reaction to aspirin in the past.

You may be at an increased risk of bleeding, especially from stomach ulcers. Your doctor will give you medication to help prevent this.

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