

UNIVERSITY PHYSICIANS HEALTH PLANS
(University Family Care)

PHARMACY REFERRAL GUIDELINE

PLAVIX® (Clopidogrel)

TYPE: Anti-platelet agent

INDICATION: (1) To prevent ischemic cardiovascular events in high risk patients.

DOSE: 75 mg po daily

SIDE EFFECTS: Rash, diarrhea, bruising, edema, G.I. hemorrhage. Caution in patients with history of ulcers, use of anticoagulants, ASA, NSAIDs.

CRITERIA FOR USE: (1) Following percutaneous coronary intervention for up to one year
(2) In patients who have failed aspirin (i.e., a cardiovascular event while on aspirin)
(3) In patients who are intolerant to aspirin

Prior authorization is required for therapy >30 days.

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