

Care Gram

Medication Blood Levels

When taking certain medications, blood levels will need to be checked. Testing the blood tells us if there is too much or not enough medication in the body. After the results of the blood test, you may need to take more or less medication. Your doctor will let you know.

You must get your blood tested at just the right time. This will help the doctor make the best decision about your medications.

Find your medication listed below, and follow the directions to get your blood test done.

Drug Name	Drug Level Checked
<input type="checkbox"/> Amitriptyline (Tryptizol or Elavil)	12 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Digoxin (Lanoxin)	8-12 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Phenytoin (Dilantin or Epanutin)	Before next dose or 6 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Lithium	12 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Phenobarbital	Before next dose or 6 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Primidone (Mysoline)	Before next dose or 3 hours after oral dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Carbamazepine (Tegretol)	Before next dose or 6-8 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Theophylline	Before next dose or 6 hours after dose
<input type="checkbox"/> Valproic Acid (Depakote, Depakene or Epilim)	Before next dose

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