

Tip Sheet #4

Insurance Coverage for Anticoagulants

We know that many sites may have questions about the implications of insurance coverage. Here are some tips to help:

✓ **Flexible study design!**

CANVAS was designed so that patients can be enrolled up to **30 days** after the index VTE, and during that first 30 days treated with any type of anticoagulant.

✓ **Time to request prior authorization!**

This 30-day window should give practitioners enough time (if needed) to file Medicaid applications, prior authorizations, etc.

✓ **No gaps in treatment/patient care!**

Patients can be started on LMWH and then transitioned to protocol treatment.

✓ **Drug companies may provide help!**

The DOAC companies often offer:

- ⇒ **First 30 day drug free program**, allowing time to process applications
- ⇒ **Co-pay Cards**

We are not in a position to endorse any one DOAC or such programs

If you have questions about insurance coverage of anticoagulation drugs, in general or about a specific patient case, please contact the study team at CANVAS_Coordinator@dfci.harvard.edu, or Co-Study Chair Jean Connors MD, Hematologist, jconnors@partners.org