

Glucophage/Glucoavance Discharge Instructions

PATIENT

1. Do not start taking your Glucophage (metformin). Glucoavance until after you have seen your primary care physician. Take this paper with you and give it to your doctor.
2. Call your primary care physician to arrange coverage for your diabetes with alternative medications. You will also need to have your doctor arrange for BUN and Creatinine blood test to be performed after 48 hours.
3. Contact your primary care physician who will take care of ordering different diabetic medications during this time.

PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN

Your patient received IV contrast on _____.

Glucophage and/or Glucoavance must be held for a minimum of 48 hours after a patient receives IV contrast to reduce the risk of lactic acidosis. Before restarting Glucophage and/or Glucoavance a BUN and Creatinine must be done to check renal function. If renal function is normal, patients may be restarted on Glucophage and/or Glucoavance.