Perspectives on Deep Vein Thrombosis

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast Wednesday, January 10, 2007 1:00-2:30 p.m. (Central Time)

Learning Objectives

- This session is designed to:
 - Identify the signs and symptoms of DVT and pulmonary emboli (PE) and their prevention
 - Detail the efforts of the Coalition to Prevent DVT
 - Highlight perspectives of the patient, family, physician and nurse on the impact of DVT
 - Provide an opportunity for discussion of DVT

Nursing Perspective

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DVT Assessment Clinical Variable Score

Active cancer (treatment ongoing or within
previous 6 months or palliative)1Paralysis, paresis, or recent plaster
immobilization of the lower extremities1Recently bedridden for 3 days or more, or
major surgery within the previous 12 weeks
requiring general or regional anesthesia1Localized tenderness along the distribution
of the deep venous system1

DVT Assessment		
Clinical Variable	Score	
Entire leg swelling	1	
Calf swelling at least 3 cm larger than that on the asymptomatic leg (measured 10 cm below the tibial tuberosity). In patients with symptoms in both legs, the more symptomatic leg was used.	1	
Pitting edema confined to the symptomatic leg	1	
Collateral superficial veins (nonvaricose)	1	
Previously documented DVT	1	
Alternative diagnosis at least as likely as DVT	-2	

The Importance of Educating the Public About DVT

Melanie Bloom

41 Organizations Joined To Date

- Academy of Managed Care Providers (AMCP)
- American Academy of Home Care Physicians (AAHCP)
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)
- American Academy of Physicians Assistants (AAPA)
- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AAPM&R)
- American Association of Managed Care Nurses (AAMCN)

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- American Board of Managed Care Nursing (ABMCN)
- American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHA)
- American College of Chest Physicians (ACCP)
- American College of Physicians (ACP)
- American Geriatric Society (AGS)

41 Organizations Joined To Date

- American Nurses Association (ANA)
- American Obesity Association (AOA)
- American Osteopathic Association (AOA)
- American Pharmacists Association (APhA)
- American Public Health Association (APHA)
- American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ASAPS)
- American Society for Bariatric Surgery (ASBS)
- American Society of Consultant Pharmacists
 (ASCP)
- American Society of Health Risk Managers
 (ASHRM)

41 Organizations Joined To Date

- American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP)
- American Society of Hematology (ASH)
- American Venous Forum (AVF)
- Association of Black Cardiologists (ABC)
- Barnes Jewish Hospital
- Case Management Society of America (CMSA)
- ClotCare Online Resource Center (www.clotcare.com)
- Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association (HOPA)

41 Organizations Joined To Date

- Emergency Nurses Association (ENA)
- The Leapfrog Group
- National Association of Managed Care Physicians (NAMCP)
- National Association of Orthopedic Nurses
 (NAON)
- National Alliance for Thrombosis and Thrombophilia (NATT)
- National Business Coalition on Health (NBCH)
- National Medical Association (NMA)
- National Quality Forum (NQF)

41 Organizations Joined To Date

- Society of Hospital Medicine (SHM)
- Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM)
- Visiting Nurse Associations of America (VNAA)
- Vascular Disease Foundation (VDF)

Making a Difference

- More than 80,000 letters and emails of support have been received
- "We watched the news about David and cried along with everyone. We loved him. He did great work. But my husband had a pain in his leg. And when we saw this about David, he decided to go get it checked. He had a deep-vein thrombosis."
- More than 2,000 people have shared their story with the Coalition

DVT is...

...a common but serious medical condition that occurs when a thrombus (blood clot) forms in one of the large veins, usually in the lower limbs, leading to either partially or completely blocked circulation which may result in complications, such as a pulmonary embolism (PE) and even death if not diagnosed and treated effectively.

Risk Factors for DVT

- Increasing age
- Immobility
- Stroke
- Paralysis
- Previous VTE
- Cancer and its treatment
- Major surgery (particularly involving the abdomen, pelvis or lower extremities)

Risk Factors for DVT

- Respiratory failure
- Trauma (especially pelvis, hip or leg fractures)
- Obesity
- Varicose veins
- Congestive heart failure
- Myocardial infarction
- Indwelling central venous catheters

Risk Factors for DVT

- · Inflammatory bowel disease
- Nephrotic syndrome
- Pregnancy
- Oral contraceptives
- Hormone replacement
- Inherited clotting predisposition

Symptoms of DVT

- Pain
- Swelling
- Tenderness
- Discoloration/redness of the affected area
- Skin warm to the touch

DVT Statistics

- Two million Americans suffer from DVT
 - That is more than those who will die annually from breast cancer and AIDS combined
- 600,000 people are hospitalized in the US each year for DVT
- Pulmonary embolism (PE), claims up to 200,000 lives

DVT Statistics

- Fatal PE may be the most common preventable cause of hospital death in the US
 - Only one-third of hospitalized patients with risk factors for blood clots received preventive treatment
- Up to 60 percent of patients who undergo total hip replacement surgery may develop DVT

DVT Statistics

- More than 15 million Americans experience postphlebitic syndrome (PTS)
- The estimated cost for DVT/PE/PTS is \$2.8-\$4.8 billion each year

DVT Can Impact Anyone...



...and is a MAJOR public health risk.

Coalition to Prevent DVT Mission Statement

To reduce the immediate and long-term dangers of deep-vein thrombosis (DVT) and pulmonary embolism (PE), which together comprise one of the nation's leading causes of death...the Coalition will educate the public, healthcare professionals and policy-makers about risk factors, symptoms and signs associated with DVT, as well as identify evidencebased measures to prevent morbidity and mortality from DVT and PE.

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Venous Thromboembolism Future Challenges

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VTE Future Challenges

- Duration of VTE prophylaxis in the acute postoperative period
- Duration of secondary VTE
 prophylaxis in orthopaedic surgery
- Duration of Secondary VTE
 prophylaxis in cancer surgery

VTE Future Challenges

- Improving the application of VTE prophylaxis in the hospitalized medically ill patient
- Duration of secondary VTE prophylaxis in the patient with Idiopathic DVT/PE or cancer patient with DVT/PE

Postoperative Duration of VTE Prophylaxis

- Clinic Trials: Prophylaxis studied for 7 to 10 days
- Clinical Practice: Prophylaxis applied for the time of hospitalization
- Challenge: Physician acceptance and application of evidence based duration of VTE prophylaxis

Postoperative Duration of VTE Prophylaxis



Future Challenges Duration Acute VTE Prophylaxis Surgery

- Physician acceptance: duration
 acute VTE prophylaxis
- Standardize VTE prophylaxis through
 specialty societies
- Infrastructure which supports duration of VTE prophylaxis

Future Challenges Duration Acute VTE Prophylaxis Surgery

- Insurance and government support of duration of VTE prophylaxis
- New Oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management



Future Challenges Extended VTE Prophylaxis Orthopaedic Surgery

- Physician Acceptance: Extended VTE Prophylaxis in orthopaedic surgery
- Standardize VTE prophylaxis through orthopaedic societies
- Establish the infrastructure which supports extended VTE prophylaxis

Future Challenges Extended VTE Prophylaxis Orthopaedic Surgery

- Insurance and government support of extended VTE prophylaxis
- New Oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management









Risk Factors Cancer Surgery @RISTOS Project Risk Factors VTE Odds Ratio 95% CI 2.63 Age > 60 years 1.27 571 Previous VTE 5.98 2.13 16.80 Advance Cancer 2.68 1.37 524 Anesthesia > 2 hrs 4.50 1.06 19.04 Bed Rest > 3 days 4.37 2.45 7.78

The Odds Ratio were the same for late VTE





Future Challenges Extended VTE Prophylaxis Cancer Surgery

- Well designed clinical trials in extended VTE prophylaxis in cancer surgery
- Establish the infrastructure which supports extended VTE prophylaxis
- Insurance and government support of extended VTE prophylaxis
- New Oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management

Medically-ill Patient











DVT Incidence and Thromboprophylaxis				
of Thromboprophylaxis Received (%)				
55.8				
38.4				
26.7				

Computer Reminder System

- Computer program linked to patient database to identify consecutive hospitalized patients at risk for VTE
- Patient randomized to intervention group or control group
- In the intervention group the physicians were alerted to the VTE risk and offered the option to order VTE prophylaxis

Computer Reminder System

- Point scale for VTE risk
 - Major risk: cancer, prior VTE, hypercoagulability (3 points)
 - Intermediate risk: major surgery (2 points)
 - Minor risk: advanced age, obesity, bedrest, HRT, use of oral contraceptives (1 point)
- VTE prophylaxis (graduated elastic stockings, IPC, UFH, LMWH, warfarin)

Electronic Alerts to Prevent VTE in Medical Patients

Measure	Intervention Group (n = 1255)	Control Group (n = 1251)	P Value
Mechanical	125 (10.0)	19 (1.5)	< .001
compression stockings	52 (4.1)	7 (0.6)	< .001
pneumatic boots	, 73 (5.8)	12 (1.0)	< .001
Pharmacological	296 (23.6)	163 (13.0)	< .001
UFH	213 (17.0)	81 (6.5)	< .001
warfarin	28 (2.2)	41 (3.3)	.11
enoxaparin	55 (4.4)	41 (3.3)	.18





ACCP Recommendations At-Risk Medical Patients

 In acutely ill medical patients who have been admitted to the hospital with CHF or severe respiratory disease, or who are confined to bed and have 1 or more additional risk factors, including active cancer, previous VTE, sepsis, acute neurologic disease, or IBD, ACCP recommends.

ACCP Recommendations At-Risk Medical Patients

- Low-molecular-weight heparin (1A)
 - -Enoxaparin 40 mg, SC, QD
 - -Dalteparin 5000 U, SC, QD
 - -Fondaparinux 2.5 mg, SC, QD
- Low-dose UFH (1A)
 - -5000 U, SC, q8, or 12h

Future Challenges VTE Prophylaxis Medically-ill Patient • Physician acceptance VTE

- Physician acceptance VIE prophylaxis in medically-ill patient.
- Standardize VTE prophylaxis through medical societies and publications.
- Establish system which supports VTE prophylaxis (computer or paper systems).
- New oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management.

Duration Secondary VTE Prophylaxis Cancer Patient Idiopathic DVT/PE









ACCP Recommendations 2° DVT Prevention

• DVT and Cancer:

LMWH for 3 – 6 months [1A] then

WARFARIN (INR 2 – 3) for indefinite

period [1C]

Future Challenges Secondary VTE Prophylaxis Cancer Patient

- Physician acceptance of LMWH for secondary VTE Prophylaxis
- Insurance and Government support of treatment modality
- Infrastructure to support this approach to treatment

Future Challenges Secondary VTE Prophylaxis Cancer Patient

- Demonstration of greater safety and efficacy
- Demonstration of improved survival
- New Oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management









ACCP Recommendations 2° DVT Prevention

- Recommend adjusted INR to 2 3 range for all 2° prevention [1A]
- Recommend against low-intensity warfarin at INR of 1.5 1.9 [1A]
- First DVT idiopathic:
 - 6 12 months INR 2 3 [1A]

ACCP Recommendations 2° DVT Prevention

- First DVT idiopathic: Indefinite treatment at INR 2 – 3 [2A]
- Patients should be assessed periodically during anticoagulation to evaluated risk benefit [1C]

Future Challenges Secondary VTE Prophylaxis Idiopathic VTE Patient

- Physician acceptance of duration of treatment of idiopathic VTE
- More specific risk assessment methods to predict continued VTE secondary prophylaxis
- New Oral Xa and IIa agents will impact management