



Instructions for Patients and their Families/Caregivers regarding Avastin® treatment

Your oncologist has referred you for Avastin infusions at Provis Infusion Clinic Inc. We will be coordinating these treatments with your oncologist.

1. Avastin® infusions are scheduled every 2 or 3 weeks depending upon your chemotherapy regimen. Treatments are coordinated with you referring oncologist. The first infusion will be given over 30 minutes and each subsequent infusion is given over 15 minutes.
2. You may receive the Avastin before, during (we often interrupt your 5-FU infusion to give Avastin), or after your chemotherapy. Your oncologist will prescribe a chemotherapy regimen depending upon a number of factors specific to your circumstances.
3. In all cases it is important that laboratory tests are coordinated between Provis and your referring oncologist prior to treatment to confirm that your blood counts are adequate to commence another round of treatment.
4. It is necessary that the required laboratory tests are performed within 3 days prior to your scheduled infusion. Please observe the requirements outlined below.

For Tuesday evening Avastin® infusions you must have the laboratory test done on Friday, Monday, or early Tuesday, (i.e. the day of treatment), the latter being done as a STAT test at your oncologist's treating facility.

Important: Provis needs to have the approval from your oncologist by **3:30 pm** on the day of treatment to confirm that your blood counts are adequate for Avastin® infusion. Therefore it is important you are diligent in having your blood test early that day or on the previous days as described above and follow up with the office of your oncologist.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions. We would like to make this treatment as easy as possible for you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

The Provis Team