TITLE: Pharmacological Thromboprophylaxis for Gynecology Patients Undergoing Elective Surgery: Clinical Effectiveness and Guidelines

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RESEARCH QUESTIONS:

1. What is the clinical effectiveness and safety of pharmacological thromboprophylaxis for gynecology patients undergoing elective surgery?

2. What are the guidelines for pharmacological thromboprophylaxis for gynecology patients undergoing elective surgery?

METHODS:

A limited literature search was conducted on key health technology assessment resources, including PubMed, the Cochrane Library (Issue 1, 2010), University of York Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) databases, ECRI, EuroScan, international health technology agencies, and a focused Internet search. The search was limited to English language articles published between 2005 and February 2010. No filters were applied to limit the retrieval by study type. Internet links were provided, where available.

RESULTS:

HTIS reports are organized so that the higher quality evidence is presented first. Therefore, health technology assessment reports, systematic reviews, and meta-analyses are presented first. These are followed by randomized controlled trials, controlled clinical trials, observational studies, and evidence-based guidelines.

The literature search identified two observational studies and three evidence-based guidelines. No health technology assessments, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, randomized controlled trials, or controlled clinical trials were identified. Additional references that may be of interest have been included in the appendix.

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Health technology assessments
No literature identified

Systematic reviews and meta-analyses
No literature identified

Randomized controlled trials
No literature identified

Controlled clinical trials
No literature identified

Observational studies


Guidelines and recommendations


APPENDIX – FURTHER INFORMATION:

Health technology assessments


Meta-analyses


Guidelines