

**Society of Trauma Nurses**  
**Platelet Inhibitor Reversal Pathway**

- History of Platelet Inhibitor use.
- Head injury with evidence of significant intracranial bleeding\*

\*Consider in other life-threatening bleeding emergencies.

NO

YES

Patient stable for discharge (GCS 15, no LOC, no significant injury to head, face or neck)

YES

NO

Discharge with instructions and follow-up as indicated

Admit to Trauma Service

- 2 units platelet transfusion
- Consult Neurosurgery
- Consider
  - DDAVP 0.3 ug/kg
  - rFVIIa 30-90 ug/kg
- Consider platelet aggregometry

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**CAUTION**  
Hyponatremia, seizures, and elevated ICP with DDAVP

