

Table IX: Duration of Therapy for Venous thromboembolism

Venous Thromboembolism	Duration of Therapy
Triggered DVT (e.g., associated with surgery, trauma)	3 months
Triggered PE (e.g., associated with surgery, trauma)	3-6 months
Idiopathic DVT	At least 3 months
Idiopathic PE	At least 6 months
Cancer associated VTE	Indefinite or as long as cancer active or under therapy
Recurrent VTE	Indefinite therapy
Distal DVT (e.g., calf)	3 months

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