CATHETERS	CATHETER FLUSHING *	DRESSING	REFLUX VALVE/ ALCOHOL PORT PROTECTOR CAPS	BLOOD WITHDRAWAL *
Catheters without valve, with external clamp (PICC & Tunneled) Examples: • Cook ® • Broviac ® • Hickman ® • Triple lumen dialysis catheter (e.g. Trialysis®) (Nurses may access or change valve on "pigtail" lumen only. Only dialysis nurses may access dialysis lumens	 Use push-pause flush technique When lumen used intermittently (once or more per day), flush with each use as follows: S – Saline: 10 mL A - Antibiotic (all medications) S – Saline: 10 mL H - Pediatric ONLY: Heparin 10 units/mL - (3mL) Maximum daily heparin dose: 50 units/kg When lumen not in use, flush daily as follows: Adult: 10mL NS followed by ImL heparin 100 units/mL: Pediatric: 3 mL of heparin 10 units/mL: Maximum daily heparin dose: 50 units/kg After administration of viscous fluid flush with NS: Adult: 20 mL Pediatric: 10 mL Note: Viscous fluid includes TPN, chemotherapy, blood/ blood products, phenytoin, rifampin) Use separate sterile syringe for each lumen ALWAYS use 10 mL syringe or greater to flush the catheter. If no resistance is felt with flushing, use the appropriate sized syringe for medication administration. 	 CHANGE as follows: Gauze – every 48 hours Transparent, Biopatch® and Statlock® every 7 days Post-bathing or when soiled/wet/ non-occlusive Use transparent dressing unless patient is diaphoretic, site is oozing, or skin is excoriated Use Biopatch® with all transparent dressings (unless patient has hypersensitivity to chlorhexidine) 	 CHANGE REFLUX VALVE as follows: Inpatients: Every 96 hours (4 days) (coordinate with tubing change and flush) Exception: A minimum of every day if blood is drawn frequently (e.g. at least 3-4 times per day) Outpatients: Every 7 days When valve becomes ineffective (e.g., leaking, soiled, cracked, blood is visible, sluggish) Every time it is disconnected from catheter hub Before sending patient home Propofol Post administration Every 12 hours with tubing change during infusion ALCOHOL PORT PROTECTOR CAP as follows: Use green alcohol port protector caps on all ports (inpatients only) 	 Use only ≥10 mL syringes For continuous infusions, keep stopcock between port and infusion for use during blood draw Place fluids running into other ports on hold prior to withdrawing blood for multilumen catheters (Exception: vasoactive drugs) Adult: Discard 4-6 mL blood Withdraw required amount of blood Flush with 20 mL NS Followed by 1 mL heparin 100 unit/mL if used intermittently Pediatric: Use 3-way stopcock method Withdraw required amount of blood Withdraw blood (amount needed to clear the line) Withdraw required amount of blood Flush 0 mL NS Follow with flush of 3 mL Heparin 10 units/mL if used intermittently Follow with flush of 3 mL Heparin 10 units/mL if used intermittently Follow with flush of 3 mL Heparin 10 units/mL if used intermittently maximum daily heparin dose: 50 units/kg Withdrawal of drug levels Flush with 3 mL NS prior to withdrawing blood

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			 Use red alcohol port protector caps on the ends of dialysis catheter lumens EXCEPTION: DO NOT use alcohol port protector cap on any lines that have closed system transfer device attached. Scrub hub for 15-30 second with chlorhexidine before accessing port Change cap: With every tubing change When received in a new unit Every time cap is removed (e.g. for administering medications) 	 Adult: Flush with 20 mL NS before drawing blood specimen Pediatric: Flush with 10 mL NS Do not draw blood out of any PICC smaller than Gauge 20 (Fr 3)
Catheters with valve, without external clamp (PICC & Tunneled) Examples: • Groshong ® • Power PICC Solo catheter	 The use of Heparin is not necessary: Use push-pause flush technique When used intermittently, follow SAS: S - Saline A - Antibiotic (all medications) S - Saline Flush with NS: 10 mL Frequency: With administration of I.V. medications/solutions Every 7 days when not in use Every valve change Post-insertion after verifying with 	See catheters without valve	See catheters without valve	 Use only >10 mL syringes For continuous infusions, keep stopcock between port and infusion for use during blood draw Place fluids running into other ports on hold prior to withdrawing blood for multilumen catheters (Exception: vasoactive drugs) Adult: Discard 4-6 mL blood Withdraw required amount of blood

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	 physician correct placement by chest X-ray If blood reflux is present in the tubing After administration of viscous fluid flush with NS Adult: 20 mL Pediatric: 10 mL Note: Viscous fluid includes TPN, chemotherapy, blood/blood products, phenytoin, rifampin) Use separate sterile syringe for each lumen ALWAYS use 10 mL syringe or greater to flush the catheter. If no resistance is felt with flushing, use the appropriate sized syringe for medication administration. 			 Flush with 20 mL NS Pediatric: Use 3-way stopcock method Withdraw blood (amount needed to clear line) Withdraw required amount of blood Reinsert initial blood withdrawn Flush with 10 mL NS Withdrawal of drug levels Flush with 3 mL NS prior to withdrawing blood Withdrawal of blood during or immediately after a TPN infusion Adult: Flush with 20 mL NS before drawing blood specimen Pediatric: Flush with 10 mL NS
Implantable Ports <i>Without</i> valve Single chamber or Dual chamber	 Flush both ports for dual chamber devices Use push-pause flush technique When used intermittently follow SASH: S - Saline: 10 mL A - Antibiotic (all medications) S - Saline: 10 mL H - Heparin: Adult: 3mL of 100 units/mL Pediatric: < 12 kg - 3 mL of 10 units/mL ≥12 kg - 3 ml of 100 units/mL When port is not accessed with needle 	 Use a non-coring needle to access implanted port. It may be left in place for continuous or intermittent use as a heplock. Change needle and dressing Inpatients: every 4 days Outpatients: every 7 days 	See catheters without valves	 Adult: Discard 10 mL blood Withdraw required amount of blood Flush with 20 mL NS Flush with heparin 3 mL of 100 units/mL Pediatric: Use - way stopcock method Withdraw 5 mL blood

* Flushing Requires Provider's order

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	 (e.g. outpatients) ensure patency and flush once per month with 10 mL NS followed by: Adult: 100 units/mL 3 mL Pediatric: < 12 kg - 10 units/mL 3 mL >12 kg - 100 units/mL 3 mL After administration of viscous fluid flush with NS: Adult: 20 mL Pediatric: 10 mL Note: Viscous fluid includes TPN, chemotherapy, blood/ blood products, phenytoin, rifampin) Use separate syringe for each lumen 	Secure needle to port with dressing (transparent preferred) if using intermittently or continuously		 Withdraw required amount of blood Reinsert initial blood withdrawn Flush with 10 mL NS Flush with heparin: < 12 kg - 3 mL of 10 units/mL >12 kg - 3 mL of 100 units/mL
Implantable Ports with valve If it is unknown whether the port is with valve or without valve, treat as Implantable Port without valve (above) which includes the use of heparin Single chamber or Dual chamber	 Flush both ports for dual chamber devices The use of Heparin is not necessary: Use push-pause flush technique When used intermittently, follow SAS: S - Saline A - Antibiotic (all medications) S - Saline Flush with NS Amount: 10 mL Frequency: With administration of I.V. medications/solutions Every 30 days when not in use With administration of viscous fluid flush with NS Adult: 20 mL Pediatric: 10 mL Note: Viscous fluid includes TPN, chemotherapy, blood/blood products, phenytoin, rifampin) Use separate sterile syringe for each lumen 	 Use a non-coring needle to access implanted port. It may be left in place for continuous or intermittent use as a heplock. Secure needle to port with dressing (transparent preferred) if using intermittently or continuously 	See catheters without valve	 Adult: Discard 10 mL blood Withdraw required amount of blood Flush with 20 mL NS Pediatric: Use 3-way stopcock method Withdraw 5 mL blood Withdraw required amount of blood Reinsert initial blood withdrawn Flush with 10 mL NS

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 PowerPICC ® Triple lumen Midline catheters 	 Use push-pause flush technique Follow SAS when used intermittently When not in use, flush a minimum of every 8 hours with NS 3-10 mL Use separate sterile syringe for each lumen Flush with NS: 10 mL After verifying with physician correct placement by x-ray After blood withdrawal or blood/blood product transfusion ALWAYS use 10 mL syringe or greater to flush the catheter. If no resistance is felt with flushing, use the appropriate sized syringe for medication administration 	See catheters without valve	See catheters without valve	See tunneled catheter <u>with</u> valve
Introducer Sheath Restricted to the ICU & ED	• Start a continuous I.V. infusion at a minimum of 10 mL/hr immediate post insertion in each lumen	See catheters without valve	REFLUX VALVE NEVER CAP Always ensure that an I.V. solution is continuously infusing at a minimum rate of 10 mL/hour in each lumen to avoid clotting. ALCOHOL PORT PROTECTOR CAPS: See catheters without valves	 Place fluids running into all ports on hold prior to withdrawing blood (Exception: vasoactive drugs) Discard 5 mL of blood Withdraw required amount of blood Flush with 5 mL NS Restart I.V. infusion
NICU Central Lines	PICCs are always connected to continuous IV infusion – flushing is not required	 Gauze – every 24 hours Transparent - when soiled, wet or non- occlusive Broviac ® only M-W-F PICC dressing changes done by Fellow/Nurse Practitioner/PICC Resource Nurse 	Reflux valve is not removed or changed.	 Nurses may draw labs from PICC only with written physician's order Use 3 mL syringe for withdrawing blood and flushing Withdraw 0.2-0.5 mL of blood to clear the line and discard. Withdraw required amount of blood as ordered Flush line with 0.5 mL heparin flush (heparin 0.5 units/mL)

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		• Steristrips are used to secure line		