

2021 Updates to the Infusion Nurses Society *Infusion Therapy Standards of Practice*

Review selected points from the new standards and practice recommendations.¹

Prepare

Personal Protective Equipment

- In addition to standard precautions that protect against blood and body fluids,* wear a fit-tested, certified N95 or higher respirator when there is an airborne infection risk.**
Std. 17, pg. S54; Std. 19**, pg. S58 (Level III)*

Hand Antiseptic

- Use soap and water, or as an alternative, routinely use an alcohol-based hand rub that contains at least 60% alcohol or 70% isopropyl alcohol for hand hygiene. *Std. 16, pg. S53 (Level I)*

Hair Removal

- Remove excess hair at the insertion site using single-patient use scissors or disposable-head surgical clippers.
Std. 33, pg. S96 (Level I)

Protect & Secure

Skin Protection

- Protect at-risk skin from irritation and breakdown with a sterile, alcohol-free skin barrier that is compatible with the antiseptic solution and when using an adhesive-based securement method. *Std. 42, pg. S120 (Level II)*

Antimicrobial Dressings

- Use chlorhexidine-impregnated dressings for all patients 18 years and older with short-term, nontunneled central vascular access devices (CVADs). Use for arterial catheters and other CVADs when other catheter-associated bloodstream infection (CABSI) prevention strategies are not effective.
Std. 50, pg. S154 (Level I)
- With oncology patients, use a chlorhexidine-impregnated dressing around the needle insertion site for infusions exceeding 4-6 hours. *Std. 28, pg. S87 (Level V)*
- Consider use of chlorhexidine-impregnated dressings with epidural access devices as significant skin colonization and catheter colonization has been demonstrated with their use.
Std. 56, pg. S172 (Level I)
- Assess VAD site and surrounding area to monitor skin, dressing and securement device integrity by inspection, and use palpation through the intact dressing to assess complications. *Std. 42, pg. S119 (Level V)*
- With hemodialysis, consider the use of a chlorhexidine-impregnated dressing to help reduce infection risk.
Std. 29, pg. S89 (Level IV)

Catheter Securement

- Use a sterile dressing, combined with or integrated with a securement device, on all peripheral and CVADs to protect the site, provide securement and a microbial barrier, and to promote skin health. *Std. 42, pg. S119*
- Do not use a primary dressing as the sole securement method to stabilize and secure VADs. Inadequate securement can cause unintentional dislodgement and complications requiring premature removal. *Std. 38, pg. S109*

Adjunct Securement

- If using medical tape for additional securement, select a tape based on the intended use and patient's skin condition. Use a roll dedicated to a single patient. *Std. 42, pg. S121 (Level IV)*

Antimicrobial Port Protectors

- Perform passive disinfection by applying a cap or covering containing a disinfection agent. Disinfection caps create a physical barrier to contamination between uses.
Std. 36, pg. S105 (Level I)
- Active disinfection with swab pads containing 70% isopropyl alcohol are likely the least effective approach in needleless connector disinfection. *Std. 36, pg. S105*
- Active disinfection with alcoholic CHG swab pads, and passive disinfection with caps containing 70% isopropyl alcohol, were associated with lower rates of CABSI. *Std. 36, pg. S105*
- Attach a new, sterile, compatible covering device to the male luer end of the administrative set after each intermittent use.
Std. 43, pg. S124 (Level IV)

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Personal Protective Equipment



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CHG Dressings & Catheter Securement

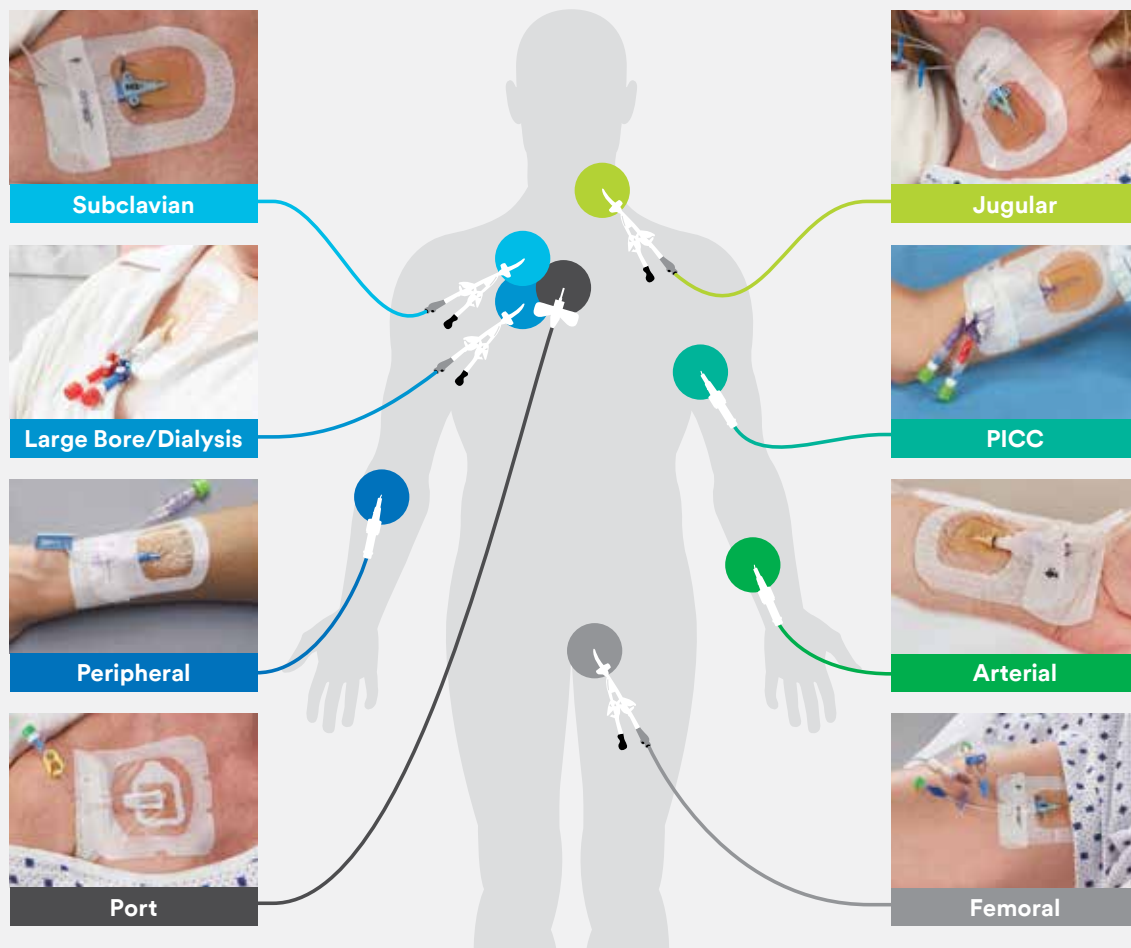
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