Medication Administration/Flush for PICC or CVC

**PREPARATION**

01 Gather appropriate supplies:
- Pre-filled saline syringes- 2
- Antiseptic wipes containing alcohol, CHG, or povidone-iodine
- Medication in syringe (if applicable)
- Clean gloves

02 Wash hands and don clean gloves.

03 Explain procedure to patient.

**FLUSH**

04 Before accessing hubs, connectors, or injection ports, scrub with alcohol, povidone-iodine or CHG using friction and a twisting motion for no less than 5 seconds.**

05 Allow to completely air dry.*

06 Attach a pre-filled 10ml saline syringe to injection cap/needleless connector, maintaining sterility of syringe tip.

07 Verify blood return.

08 Flush the intended lumen with 10ml saline and confirm selected lumen flushes with no resistance. Disconnect syringe and discard.* For flush only go to step 14

**MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION**

09 Use a new antiseptic cleansing device/wipe and allow to dry.*

10 Medication Administration - Connect medication syringe maintaining sterility of syringe tip. Inject medication, disconnect syringe.

11 Use a new antiseptic cleansing device/wipe and allow to dry.*

12 Attach a pre-filled 10ml saline syringe to injection cap/needleless connector, maintaining sterility of syringe tip. Using a vigorous pulsatile technique flush lumen with 10ml saline.*

13 Single use flushing syringes never re-used even on same lumen.

**POST MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION/FLUSH**

14 Discard supplies.

15 Remove gloves.

16 Perform hand hygiene.

17 Document procedure in patient record per institutional policy.

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*Please consult facility protocols and manufacturer’s Instructions for Use, product labels and inserts for any indications, contraindications, hazards, warnings, precautions, and directions for use.

**Do not use in patients with known allergies to chlorhexidine gluconate or isopropyl alcohol

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