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# CARE AND MAINTENANCE



Remove dressing per hospital protocol; use adhesive remover if necessary. Do not remove the cover of the SecurAcath during dressing changes.



Should there be drainage or blood at the site or on the SecurAcath, use saline soaked gauze to clean and remove it and make sure the device is visibly clean and dry.



Gently lift the catheter and SecurAcath, like a hinge, to clean around the catheter insertion site. Do not twist or rotate SecurAcath from its original orientation.



While still lifted, use antiseptic agent to clean 360 degrees around the site, the catheter, SecurAcath, up to and including the catheter hub. Allow the skin and device to dry completely.

#### PROPER DRESSING EXAMPLES



- Place catheter dressing per hospital protocol, without stretch.
- Ensure the borders are completely contacting the skin.
- Be sure to stabilize catheter wings/hubs on vascular access catheters, or at least 2 cm of catheter body on drainage catheters under the dressing to prevent pulling or kinking of catheter distal to the SecurAcath.

#### **ADDITIONAL TIPS**

If the patient complains of pain at the insertion site, it is important to assess and resolve. It could be from the disinfection at the insertion site (usually a burning or stinging sensation). If it is a sharp poking or transient pain, consider changing the dressing as it may be too tight causing pressure on the SecurAcath. When the dressing is removed, assess the position to ensure SecurAcath has not moved from from its original orientation. If unsure, lift and allow it to fall naturally before replacing the dressing. Follow the steps above for dressing application. Antimicrobial discs and tissue adhesive can be used with the SecurAcath. Place disc products by lifting SecurAcath and sliding the slit around the catheter and SecurAcath legs. Follow manufacturers instructions for proper application of your specific product.

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# REMOVAL



- Grip the HOLD tab with thumb and finger of one hand to stabilize device and securement feet beneath the skin
- Pry upward at the edge of LIFT tab with index finger tip of other hand and thumb placed at center to release cover from base



 Completely detach cover from base



- Remove the catheter do not use excessive force
- · Hold pressure at site to achieve hemostasis
- If the insertion site is "crusty" or firm, apply sterile gauze and saline at the site for a few minutes. The tissue will soften and removal will be easier

### FOLD OPTION

Can be used with or without catheter in place



- Apply firm pressure at the insertion site to keep tissue still
- Fold wings downward to bring feet together under the skin

. Use a blunt tip scissors to cut base

the groove

completely in half lengthwise along

#### SPLIT OPTION

Catheter must be removed prior to using this method



- Apply firm pressure at the insertion site with one hand
- The flexible securement feet are shaped like an "L" with the feet extending 5mm to each side of the insertion site

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- Hold folded base horizontal to skin
- Use swift, deliberate upward motion to remove following the shape of the feet



• Turn blue edge upward and use a swift, deliberate upward motion to remove each foot separately following the shape of the foot



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