Basic Application Steps

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Basic Removal Steps

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Application Instructions
Minimize catheter manipulation during removal.

1. Before placing the securement device on the skin, orient the device with arrows pointing toward the insertion site.

2. Place single-, double- or triple-lumen PICC or CVC catheters into device and weave lumen(s) under the single plastic arm.

3. Remove the liner of the attached tape strip and secure lumen(s) to the device base.

4. Position device on skin at the desired location. Pull and remove liner from one side of base to expose adhesive while holding the device in place. Pull and remove liner from the other side of base.

5. Apply pressure to the device base to establish good adhesion to the skin. Apply the Tegaderm I.V. Advanced dressing following steps 6–10.

6. Peel the liner from the dressing, exposing the adhesive surface.

7. Place the dressing so the transparent film covers the insertion site and the border of the dressing covers the plastic base of the device. Do not stretch dressing during application. Mechanical skin trauma may result if the dressing is applied with tension.

8. Apply firm pressure on the dressing, including the edges, to enhance adhesion to the skin.

9. Slowly remove the frame while simultaneously applying manual pressure to the dressing edges.

10. Smooth the dressing from the center toward the edges using firm, but gentle pressure to enhance adhesion.

11. Remove the liner from the sterile securement tape strip.

12. Grasp the non-adhesive tab of the securement tape strip, and bend slightly with thumb.

13. Lift the catheter lumen(s) and apply the notched end of the securement tape strip under the catheter lumen(s) and over the dressing edge. Push the tape strip notch forward, abutting up against the catheter lumen(s). Apply pressure on the securement tape strip to enhance adhesion.

14. Slowly remove the frame from the securement tape strip while smoothing down the edges.

15. Document dressing change on the documentation tape strip according to facility protocol. Place the documentation tape strip on top of the dressing over the catheter lumen(s). Apply pressure to enhance adhesion.

Removal Instructions
Minimize catheter manipulation during removal.

1. Lift catheter lumens, exposing the notches of the perforated tape strip. Gently pull apart the perforated tape strip.

2. Lift the catheter lumen(s) with one hand and place gloved index finger on the base of the device. Utilizing the low and slow removal technique, slowly start removing the tape strips and dressing, as one layer, toward the insertion site.

3. When the catheter hub is exposed, move your gloved finger to secure the catheter hub and continue to remove the dressing until the device is uncovered. Leave the remainder of the dressing in place over the catheter insertion site. Avoid skin trauma by peeling the dressing back, rather than pulling it up from the skin.

4. Remove the device tape strip from the catheter lumen(s).

5. Use a gloved finger to stabilize the catheter hub and gently remove the catheter lumen(s) out from under the plastic arm of the device.

6. Secure the catheter with one hand and use your other hand to remove the device from the patient’s skin.

7. Stabilize catheter with a sterile tape strip or a gloved finger and carefully remove the remainder of the dressing over the insertion site using the low and slow removal technique.

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