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Swab the top: proper aseptic technique

SmartSite® IV sets and accessories

Even though your hands look clean, bacteria may still be there.

Hand hygiene

Use proper hand hygiene procedures

Wash hands with soap and water or disinfect with alcohol-based gels or foams.[1]

Swab the top

Prepare the SmartSite® needle-free valve or SmartSite® positive bolus needle-free valve

a. Prior to every access, always swab the top of the SmartSite® valve or SmartSite® positive bolus valve with a sterile 70% isopropyl alcohol wipe (1-2 seconds) and allow to dry (approximately 30 seconds).

b. Replace every 72 hours or 100 activations, which ever comes first. For infusions of blood, blood products or lipid emulsions, replace tubing and valve every 24 hours.

c. Ensure that the male luer is sterile prior to connecting the valve. To help maintain sterility, place a sterile cap on the male luer when not in use.

d. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Infusion Nurses Society and other organizations publish guidelines useful in developing facility protocols and policies. Refer to hospital policies.

[1] CDC, MMWR. August 9, 2002.

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For multiple syringes, swab prior to each syringe access.

Every valve, every time