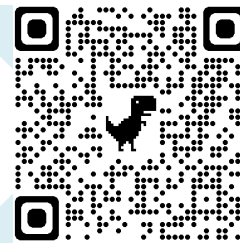




# Changing the Medication Bag of Your Patient Controlled Analgesic (PCA)

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## Four Steps for Performing Infusions:

Practice good hand-washing **1** Prepare supplies **2** Disconnect old bag **3** Connect / start new bag **4**

### STEP 1: PRACTICE GOOD HAND-WASHING

- Always remember to **WASH YOUR HANDS** for a full 20 seconds when instructed.

### STEP 2: PREPARE SUPPLIES

- Note time the time you are performing the bag change. Pump will beep when 5 ml left in the bag, select acknowledge to clear alarm.
- Clean workspace & SASH mat with cleaning solution (alcohol/sanitizing wipes or Lysol + paper towels). **WASH HANDS.**
- Gather the following supplies: 4-5 alcohol wipes; pre-spiked bag of medication, 1 saline or Heparin syringe. Check the medication and compare it to your orders. **WASH HANDS.**
- Arrange the alcohol swabs, medication and any other supplies on your mat.
- Prepare your Saline / Heparin syringe by removing it from the packaging and removing the bubbles. Place on the work station. Open the new bag of medicate and set aside for use.

### STEP 3: DISCONNECT OLD BAG

- WASH HANDS.** Remove pump and empty medication bag from the carrying pouch. If your pump is not already stopped, Stop the infusion and turn the pump off.
- Unscrew the medication tubing from your IV line.
- Pull the arm of the latch down on the side of the pump. Remove the cassette from the pump and discard the cassette and bag in the trash.

### STEP 4: CONNECT / START NEW BAG

- WASH HANDS.** DO NOT FLUSH THE LINE IN BETWEEN BAGS.
- Inspect the bag, tubing, and cassette for air pockets and be sure air is cleared past the cassette to prevent unnecessary alarms.
- Turn the pump on. Load the cassette to the pump being sure it is properly secured. Open the slide clamp on the medication tubing. Complete the program review and validate settings match your orders.
- Scrub the hub with an alcohol pad.
- Connect your pump tubing to the hub of your IV line using a “push and twist” motion. Disengage any clamps on your IV tubing and on the IV catheter in your arm.
- Start the infusion as prompted on the pump screen. Place the pump and tubing back into the carrying pouch, discard trash, **WASH HANDS.**
- “Scrub the hub” of unused lumen and flush with normal saline or heparin depending on our order. **WASH HANDS.**