

Performing Home Infusions with the Mini-Bag Plus System

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Four Steps for Performing Infusions:

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	STEP 1: PRACTICE GOOD HAND-WASHING
	Always remember to WASH YOUR HANDS for a full 20 seconds when instructed.
STEP 2: PREPARE SUPPLIES	
	Remove your medication from the refrigerator before the infusion so that it can get to room temperature.
	Check your medication to confirm it is correct. WASH HANDS. Clean workspace & SASH mat with cleaning solution. WASH HANDS.
	Gather the following supplies and arrange above your SASH mat: 4-5 alcohol pads; 2 prefilled saline syringes; 1 prefilled heparin syringe (if needed); 1 Mini-Bag Plus (a bag of fluid and vial of medication powder); medication orders; 1 set of gravity/dial-a-flow tubing; 1 red cap; 1 IV pole. WASH HANDS.
	Unwrap supplies (syringes, mini-bag and tubing) and place in the correct location on top of your SASH mat. Do not unwrap the red cap. Keep it above the "A" on the SASH mat. WASH HANDS.
	Remove any air bubbles from syringes. Inspect the mini-bag and vial for leaks, damage or discoloration.
	Remove any paper tabs from the tubing set and keep the clamp on the tubing closed. Place on top of your SASH mat (A).
	Grasp the mini-bag in one hand and the vial in the other. Break the stopper and mix the medication and fluid.
	Place the mini-bag in the correct location ("A") on top of your SASH mat. WASH HANDS.
	Spike the IV bag and prime the tubing. WASH HANDS.
	STEP 3: PREPARE IV LINE
	Scrub the hub and flush the IV line with saline. Discard empty syringe. WASH HANDS.
	Connect the tubing to the IV line.
	STEP 4: START AND STOP INFUSION
	Be sure your pole is extended prior to starting the infusion. WASH HANDS.
	Adjust the rate on the dial or count the drips to the desired rate of infusion on your orders.
	When the bag is almost completely empty, WASH HANDS. Engage the clamps to stop the infusion. Disconnect the tubing from the IV line.
	Save the tubing for your next infusion by attaching the red cap to the end or if not reusing the tubing, discard in the trash. WASH HANDS.
	Scrub the hub, flush the line with saline and heparin if needed. WASH HANDS.

