



# 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.
- 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, push the "Stop" button to stop the infusion. Hold the "Power" button down until the pump turns off.
- Unscrew the medication tubing from your IV line.
- Open the pump door, lift the latch, and remove the medication bag and tubing from pump (lift tubing from the pump). Place empty bag and tubing in the trash.

### STEP 4: CONNECT / START NEW BAG

- WASH HANDS.** DO NOT FLUSH THE LINE IN BETWEEN BAGS.
- Load the pump with the new medication bag with attached tubing. Find the section of tubing with the black plastic piece. Line up the medication tubing with the pump and slide the black piece into the channel. Close the pump door and shut the latch. Open the slide clamp on the medication tubing.
- 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.
- Press the "Power" button to power the pump on. Select your program/check program settings. Press REPEAT when prompted. Follow the directions to scroll through the pump screen. **WASH HANDS.**
- "Scrub the hub" of unused lumen and flush with normal saline or heparin depending on our order. **WASH HANDS.**