SwabFlush

Your saline flush is now your first line of defense against infection.

SwabCap® is for use on swab-able needleless connectors, as a protective cap that provides a physical barrier to contamination between line accesses and as a disinfecting cleaner prior to line access.

1. **Flush Site**
   - Flush site with an appropriate volume of solution (determined by your institution) and according to the manufacturer’s instructions for use, for maintaining catheter patency.
   - Ensure that all the fluid has been flushed or discarded to avoid squirting when applying the SwabCap.

2. **Remove the Protective Cover**
   - Hold the back of the plunger firmly and remove the protective cover by pulling the tab. Do not remove the SwabCap from white plastic holder.

3. **Turn the Syringe**
   - Turn the syringe so that the back of the plunger is now facing the needleless connector.

4. **Twist the SwabCap**
   - Hold needleless connector in one hand while pushing and twisting the SwabCap in a clockwise direction onto the needleless connector.

5. **Pull off the Needleless Connector**
   - After SwabCap has been twisted into place, gently pull syringe off the needleless connector.

6. **SwabCap Removal**
   - Two-handed removal must be used to make sure luer access valve is not removed unintentionally.
   - Grasp luer access valve and twist SwabCap counter clockwise away from valve.
   - Remove and discard after each use.
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12. **SwabFlush Use**
    - Use aseptically – For IV flush only. Follow Excelsior Medical’s instructions for use and your institution’s procedures for IV flush administration. Discard syringe and any unused portion of solution. Use in accordance with any warnings or precautions appropriate to the medication being administered. Do not use if compatibility is in doubt. SwabCap® and saline flush syringe are both for SINGLE USE ONLY.

13. **SwabFlush Administration**
    - Follow steps above, then:
      - **Plunger**
        - Bring the plunger back to its original, extended position.
      - **Release SwabCap from the Syringe Plunger**
        - Hold the syringe with your dominant hand positioned at the top of the syringe so you can place your thumb under the SwabCap holder. Keep your opposite hand free to secure the SwabCap as it is released from the syringe plunger.
      - **Store SwabCap**
        - At this point you may store the SwabCap according to your institution’s directions.