Advanced IV Class

BY AMANDA LIZOTTE, MS, BSN, RN, COS-C

Advanced IV skills

- Types of IV access
- Central line Flush
- Central line dressing change/cap change
- Central Line Blood Draw
- Medication/hydration administration
- PICC removal
- Porta Cath access and deaccess
- Complications
- Documentation

Types of IV access

- Peripheral Catheters
 - Inserted into veins of upper extremities
 - for therapies less than 7 days
 - NO blood draws
- Extended Dwell Peripheral Catheters
 - ▶ Sterile, single use peripheral catheter
 - Short term use 3-29 days
 - Used for: venous access, arterial access, pressure injection
 - May be utilized for blood draws with MD order
 - ▶ 18-22 Gauge and 6-8 cm in length
 - Flushed with saline or saline/heparin
 - Same requirements for dressing/cap change as the PICC line

- Midline catheters
 - ► Considered a peripheral catheter
 - Inserted at bedside
 - 2-4 weeks
 - Same dressing changes/flushes as central lines
 - Single lumen
 - Flushed with saline or saline/heparin
 - NO blood draws

Types of IV access continued

PICC lines

- Inserted at bedside or in IR
- Dwell time of 1-6 months
- Maybe removed in the home
- single/double/triple lumen
- may or may not be valved
- Flushed with saline or saline/heparin
- Dressing/cap/extension set changed weekly

- Non-Tunneled central catheters
 - ► Inserted at bedside
 - ▶ 7-30 days
 - Maybe removed in the home
 - Dwell time 7-30 days
 - Flushed with saline/heparin
 - Dressing and caps changed weekly

Types of IV access

- Tunneled central Catheters
 - Surgically implanted
 - Dwell time: 1+ years
 - Surgical removal required
 - May be valved
 - Flushed with saline or saline/heparin
 - Dressing/cap changed weekly

- Implanted Port
 - Surgically implanted
 - Requires non-coring needle for access
 - Dwell time 2+ years or 2000 accesses
 - Surgical removal required
 - Single or double port
 - Flushed with saline/heparin monthly
 - Huber needle/cap/dressing changed weekly

Medication/Hydration Administration

- Gravity
- ▶ Dial-a-flow
- Pumps
- Push
- Elastomeric pumps

Central line Flush

- Never force a flush
- ► To prevent Blood Reflux:
 - Negative displacement- clamp BEFORE removing syringe
 - Neutral displacement- clamp BEFORE or AFTER syringe removal
 - Positive displacement- Clamp AFTER syringe is removed
- A single use syringe should never be used more than once
- 10mL syringes should not be used to flush multiple lumens
- Flush using a pulsative or "stop-start" technique
- Flush lines daily

Caps: Needleless Access Devices

- CDC recommends changing caps every 3-7 days
- Change more frequently with TPN d/t microbial growth
- Before accessing scrub the hub for 20 seconds
- During dressing change procedure following application of new dressing
 - Prime cap with saline
 - Remove old cap
 - Scrub line for 20 seconds
 - Replace with new primed cap
 - Flush line
 - Apply alcohol-impregnated cap to end of line

Central Line Blood Draw

- Before you start you must have:
 - MD order to preform line draw
 - Ability to preform line draw with strict aseptic technique and universal precautions

- Gather supplies
 - 10cc saline syringe(3)
 - Non-sterile gloves
 - Leur-lok vacutainer adapter
 - ▶ 10cc waste tube
 - Appropriate lab tubes
 - Alcohol prep pads
 - 5cc heparin flush(if required)
 - Sharps container

Central line Blood Draw Continued

Procedure

- Explain procedure to patient
- Was hands and don gloves
- Cleanse around hub of catheter and injection cap with alcohol for 20 seconds
- Unclamp catheter
- Flush with 5cc of normal saline and draw back until you obtain blood return in syringe. Remove syringe and clamp line
- Cleanse cap with alcohol for 20 seconds and attach vacutainer adapter to hub
- Unclamp line
- Push 10cc waste tube into vacutainer adapter, once filled remove tube and discard into sharps container
- Push appropriate lab tubes into vacutainer holder, remove once filled
- Clamp line

- Remove vacutainer holder
- Remove cap, cleanse hub for 20 seconds with alcohol and apply new cap
- Unclamp line
- Flush with (2) 10cc syringes of normal saline
- Flush with heparin as ordered
- Dispose of vacutainer in sharps container
- Remove gloves and wash hands
- Label tubes with: name/DOB/date/time/initials
- Document procedure and lab location to which blood will be sent

Catheter Dressings

CDC Recommendations:

- Use a sterile transparent semi-permeable dressing
- Replace dressing if damp, loosened, or visibly soiled
- Do not use antibiotic ointments or creams
- Dressing changes
 - 24 hours following insertion and then weekly
 - ▶ When soiled, wet, loose, or non-occlusive
 - >5% chlorhexidine to cleanse skin during dressing changed

- Dressing Removal
 - Stabilize catheter and leurlock hub to prevent dislodgement
 - Separate dressing aware from leurlock hub and towards insertion site
- Chlorhexidine should be used to swab in back and forth motion for 30 seconds to ensure the skin is clean and disinfected
- Assess external catheter length to determine if migration has displaced catheter tip
- Sterile occlusive dressing should cover entire insertion site and securement device

Dressing Change Procedure

- Gather supplies
- Hand hygiene
- Con clean gloves and mask, place mask on patient
- Remove old dressing toward insertion site and discard
- Remove gloves, preform hand hygiene, and don sterile gloves
- Inspect catheter, site, surrounding skin, and pt.'s arm, chest, neck

- Cleanse site with chlorhexidine using back and forth motion
- Allow to air dry
- Secure catheter in place with securement device
- Apply bio patch to insertion site
- Apply sterile dressing to site
- Document date/time and initials on new dressing
- Document procedure, complications, external catheter length, and MAC

PICC/Midline/EDPC Removal

Procedure:

- Obtain MD order for removal
- Gather supplies: gloves, dressing change kit, sterile occlusive dressing, compression wrap
- Explain procedure to patient
- Wash hands/don non-sterile gloves
- Scrub hub for 20 seconds with alcohol wipe and flush with 10cc of normal saline
- Remove old dressing and securement device

- Remove non-sterile gloves, preform hand hygiene and don sterile gloves
- Instruct patient to take a deep breath in and hold breath
- Remove catheter and cover opening with sterile occlusive dressing
- Instruct patient to stop holding breath
- Wrap with compression dressing for 10 minutes, then remove leaving occlusive dressing in place for 48 hours
- Instruct pt. that if bleeding occurs to lift arm above head and apply pressure
- Document date/time/length of catheter following removal, patients condition,

PORTACATH Access

Equipment

- PPE
- Dressing Tray
- Non-coring Huber needle with leur-lock extension tubing
- Chlorhexidine or isopropyl alcohol swab sticks
- 10mL syringe of normal saline
- Transparent occlusive dressing
- cap

PORTACATH Access

- Procedure
- Position patient in high fowlers position
- Expose IVAD site and palpate port
- Assemble equipment and create a sterile field
- Mask and apply non-sterile gloves
- Cleanse port site with disinfectant in a circular motion from center of port outwards to cover an area approximately 4 inch diameter. Repeat three times and allow to air dry for 1 minute
- Attach adaptor to extension tubing
- Attach saline filled syringe and prime tubing and needle. Leave syringe attached to set and close the clamp.

- Apply sterile gloves and palpate the port system with the non-dominant hand, stabilize4 port
- With the dominant hand, using firm, consistent pressure, insert the non-coring needle perpendicular at a 90 degree angle to the port septum until the back of the port chamber is located.
- Open the clamp on the extension tubing and verify patency by aspirating for blood return and instilling saline
- Slowly flush the system with 10mL of saline, disconnect syringe and close clamp
- Connect to primed IV line or heparin lock the system
- Secure the needle and tubing to the patient with and occlusive dressing

PORTACATH Deaccess

Equipment

- 10mL normal Saline Syringe
- Heparin per order
- 2x2 gauze
- Tegaderm

Procedure

- If infusing stop IV
- Apply gloves
- Cleanse injection port with alcohol wipe for 20 seconds

- Attach 10mL syringe of saline, aspirate for blood return and instill saline
- Disconnect saline syringe
- Attach syringe with 5mLs Heparin lock flush
- Loosen dressing from needle site
- Apply pressure to edges of port with 2-3 fingers while withdrawing the non-coring needle straight out with the other hand
- Apply pressure to the port site with a 2X2 gauze and cover with an occlusive dressing for 24 hours

Complications

- Infiltration- occurs when an IV goes through or comes out of vein. IV fluid leaks into surrounding tissue, causes pain, swelling, skin that is cool to touch
- Phlebitis- inflammation of the vein due to blood clot or irritation from IV catheter or pathogenic organism. Causes pain, redness, swelling
- Occlusion- blockage in the line due to blood clot, chemical reactions, user error. Signs- inability to flush line, inability to obtain blood return. May order and instill cath flow
- Sepsis-severe bloodstream infection caused by bacteria/viruses that enter the body through the central line. Causes- redness at site or red streak around site, swelling/warmth at site, yellow/green drainage, pain or discomfort, fever
- Tip migration-change in position of the tip of the line. Generally migrates outward. Signs of tip migration-longer external length of catheter, this is why it is important to measure each visit and record these measurements

Assessment

- Examine site every visit for redness/swelling, drainage, tenderness, suture integrity, and catheter position
- Measure circumference of arm 2 inches above insertion site and record weekly
- Interview patient about any fever/chills, pain/discomfort
- Teach patient to observe site daily and when to contact HHA and MD
- Routinely assess dressings

Documentation

- The following should be documented in patient chart :
 - At SOC
 - Product name
 - Date of insertion
 - Anatomical location
 - Catheter length internally and externally
 - > X-ray confirmation of catheter tip location
 - Amount, type, frequency of flushes
 - Mid arm circumference 2 inches above insertion site

- ► Weekly/PRN:
 - Dressing change/cap change
 - Mid-arm circumference 2 inches above insertion site
 - External catheter length
- Every visit
 - ▶ Temp, pain, condition of site, blood return
 - ► complications