Hemodialysis Cuffed Catheters

Pre Insertion Instructions

Saskatchewan Health Authority

Saskatchewan Kidney Health

Call your Hemodialysis Unit or go to your nearest Emergency Department if you have any of the following:

- temperature greater than 38°C (100°F) or fever and chills
- heavy bleeding or discharge around your catheter
- sudden swollen face, neck, or limb
- your catheter falls out at home.

Vascular Access Nurse

Monday to Friday

7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Regina 306-766-4209

Saskatoon 306-655-5482

For 24 hour professional health advice and information, call:

HealthLine 811
HEALTHLINEONLINE.CA +++

Hemodialysis Catheter Procedure

- You are booked for Hemodialysis Catheter ☐ **Insertion** or ☐ **Exchange** on _____ at _____:
  (mmm/dd/yyyy)   (time)
  - ☐ Regina General Hospital
  - ☐ St. Paul's Hospital

Before Procedure

- Check with your dialysis nurse or nephrologist about stopping medications before the procedure if you are on diabetes medication (insulin or pills) or blood thinners.
- Contact your home dialysis unit to arrange for your scheduled dialysis, if needed.
- Arrange for a responsible person drive you home.
- NO DRIVING FOR 24 HOURS after sedation.
- Do NOT eat anything after MIDNIGHT the night before your procedure.

Day of Procedure

- You may drink clear fluids up to 2 hours prior to the procedure.
- You may take any medications with sips of water.
- Please register at the Admitting Department at _____ and then head to the _____.
- Do NOT bring valuables into the hospital such as money, jewelry, credit cards and blank cheques. The hospital is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- You will have an IV and you may receive an antibiotic.
- Local freezing is used.
- Your catheter is held in place with stitches.
- Bring their own meal/snack to eat after their procedures are completed. Dialysis Unit is an outpatient service and does not provide meals/snacks.

Call your Vascular Access Nurses if you have any questions.