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News Flash....Labor Day Holiday Signup Sheets for Cut/Call

This year, the Labor Day Holiday falls on Monday, September 1, 2008. The sign-up sheets for cut/call requests are due to arrive on the units Thursday, August 14th and will remain posted until 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 28th. Once the sheets have been collected from the units, any additional requests will be considered late. The sign-up sheets are for the holiday only. According to policy, the holiday starts at 11:00 p.m. the night before and ends at 11:00 p.m. the day of the holiday. These cut/call sign-up sheets include scheduled shifts starting at 11:00 p.m., August 31st and run through 11:00 p.m., September 1st.

If any part of your scheduled shift is outside of this timeline, you will need to call the Staffing Office to request cut/call for that portion of your shift. We would like to remind you to please make sure you write legibly and provide a telephone number where you can be reached. If you have any questions, please contact me at Ext. 55705.

Terri Krause
Coordinator, Staffing/Scheduling/Secretarial Services

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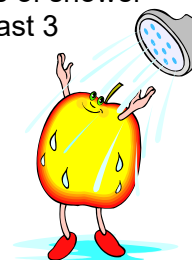
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Patient Safety Alert for Shower Seats

Alerts have been issued because of patient safety hazards with the use of shower seats and other bathing equipment that have holes or slots in the seating area. Safety notices through ECRI report that a patient's genitalia may become pinched or entrapped in the drainage holes or slots of shower and bath seating equipment, leading to serious injury, pain and embarrassment. In at least 3 events, male patients had to be cut free by rescue personnel

ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT NOW!!!

- Toweling or a similar protective material **SHOULD ALWAYS** be placed on the seat so that it's between the seat and the patient's body. **This is particularly important for male patients.**
- If a seat has cracks or is distorted in any way, do not use the seat and report it to maintenance immediately.
- Do not exceed the maximum weight limit of the seat since this can distort the seat and increase the risk of entrapment (genitalia becoming pinched or entrapped in the slot or hole).



Seats will be evaluated for risks and other options are being explored. We will keep you updated. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact your director or Joannie Nei at Ext. 55753 or pager 89-1095.

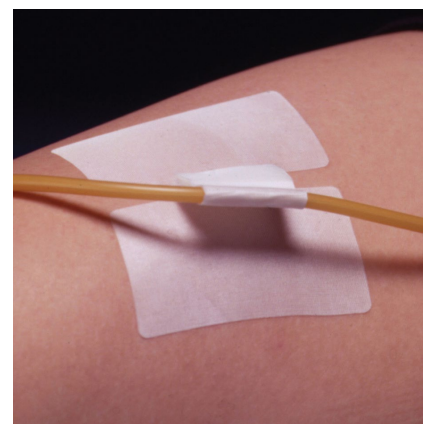
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Clinical Value Analysis Specialist
Supply Chain Management Department

DeRoyal Multi-Purposed Tube Holder

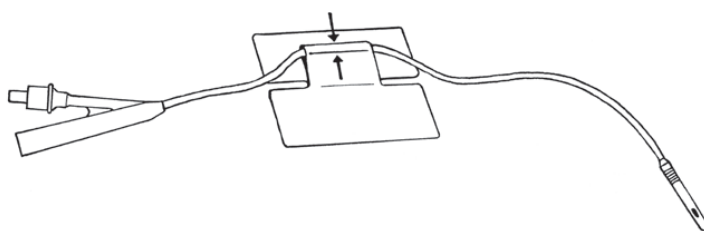
This product can be used in place of the Statlock for urinary catheters and other tubes.

Note: This product is not sterile and should only be used when a non-sterile product is appropriate.

- Designed for quick and easy placement of all sizes of tubing and lines
- Easy-to-apply adhesive base attaches firmly to skin, cloth or drapes
- Gentle to skin and easily removed without painful pulling
- Holds lines securely in place once line is positioned on patient
- Secure placement for positioning to create slack without bladder traction, thus decreasing risk of urinary track infection
- Latex safe



Tab folds to Velcro® center.
Adhesive backing on central tab prevents tube dislodgement.



DeRoyal Multi-Purpose Tube Holder can be attached to skin, drapes or cloth for use during a variety of procedures to accommodate numerous styles of lines.

Joannie Nei

*Clinical Value Analysis Specialist
Supply Chain Management Department*

Fusion Dictation System

The new Fusion Dictation System will be available for use for hospital dictations mid-August. This system will replace the existing DVI and Dictaphone systems. **No downtime** is required during conversion. Both the old DVI and Dictaphone systems will remain available as we shift to the new Fusion system. The new Fusion system is very similar to current dictation and will use your existing individual Overhead number/Dictation number for the ID to login for dictation and listen.

You may listen to reports using an individual ID and password. Individual ID's are recommended as they comply with patient privacy standards. Anyone who listens to heart center, pathology, radiology, and other reports before they have been transcribed should request an individual listen ID and password.

Because of our gradual conversion to the new system, reports may be on either system (not on both).

**How to use the Fusion Listen via telephone
for Listen-only ID's:**

1. Inside **57166** or Outside **656-7166**
2. **ID Number, then # sign**
3. Enter **Facility #** (1 for St Cloud Hospital)
4. Enter your **password, then # sign**
5. Enter **patient's MR#**

KEYPAD FUNCTIONS:

- 3 – Reverse & play
- 8 – To hear previous job
- 99 – Fast forward to end
- ## – To hear job ID info

If you are unable to locate your report, it may be on one of the old systems (DVI or Dictaphone). Listening to reports will still be available on the old DVI or Dictaphone systems, using the old shared ID's (100, 123) and the old Phone Extensions: 52800, 55800, 55890.

If you need assistance getting a listen-only ID, or if you have any questions regarding this change, please contact:

- Mary Justin, St Cloud Hospital Transcription Ext. 70718 justinm@centracare.com
- Kristine Smoley, I.S. Project Manager Ext. 54949 smoleyk@centracare.com

*Kristine Smoley, PMP
Project Manager, Information Systems
CentraCare Health System*



Clinical Ladder



Congratulations to the following individuals for achieving and/or maintaining their Level III Clinical Ladder status!

Kelly Werdelman, RN **AMHU**

- Emergencies in a Rural Hospital Presentation
- EPIC Teaching Plans
- Pt. Sheet: Meth Program at Recovery Plus
- Resource Sheet: Physician Phone Numbers

Jennifer Klick, RN **Children's Center**

- IV Therapy in Infants Presentation
- Preceptor
- Breastfeeding/Pumping Presentation
- March for Babies Walk

Joyce Belanger, RN **Inpatient Rehab**

- Pressure Ulcer Audit
- Preceptor
- Rehab Practice Committee
- PI Committee

Carmel Koep, RN **Oncology**

- Preceptor
- Oncology Certified Nurse (OCN)
- Med/Onc Practice Committee
- Clinical Ladder Presentation

Kay Pappenfus, RN **Ortho/Neuro**

- Blood Pressure Checks at Church
- EPIC Super User
- Restraint Audits
- Total Joint Class Instructor

Janine Rudnitski, RN **Dialysis**

- Water Testing Inservice and Module
- EPIC Super User
- PI Committee
- PI Audits

Jen Donabauer, RN **Ortho/Neuro**

- NPCU Class Instructor
- Preceptor
- NPCU Committee
- Stroke Steering Task Force

Jessica Thoma, RN **CMHC Float Pool**

- BLS Instructor
- Preceptor
- Module: Nursing and the Law
- ROE Committee

Mary Beth Schmidt, RN **North PACU**

- Heart Walk
- Guideline – Discharging from PACU
- Safety Audit
- CPAN (Certified Perianesthesia Nurse), CHTP (Certified Healing Touch Practitioner), Certified in Imagery

Julie Kraemer, RN **CPRU**

- Preceptor
- Temporary Pacemaker Station
- ROE Committee
- Biphasic Pacemaker Station



Upcoming Developmental Programs: Educational and Professional

September 2008

- 2 NRP (Neonatal Resuscitation Renewal Course), 9:00-12:00 pm, FBC Classroom
- 15 NRP (Neonatal Resuscitation Renewal Course), 12:30-3:30 pm, FBC Classroom
- 17 Spiritual Dimensions of Death, Grief and Mourning in Palliative Care and Hospice: Brown Bag Session, 12-1:00 pm, Hoppe
- 25/26 Basic Electrocardiography, 8:00-4:00 pm, Kremers Room, CentraCare Plaza
- 29/30 TNCC (Trauma Nursing Core Course), 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., SCH Conference Room

To find out what other programs are offered through the Education and Professional Development Department, please call Ext. 55642.