

**Clinical Practice Process Improvement Tool : Peripheral Vascular Device (PVD) Continuing Care**

Functional Area: ..... Start Date: ..... Overall Auditors: .....

Module: PVD Continuing Care PIT

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Standard: Evidence based best practice is being consistently applied to prevent peripheral vascular device infections

Question Set: PVD Continuing Care PIT - Continuing Care

Observation: 1

	Question	Guidance	Yes	No	N/A	Comment
1	Is a documented daily review of the peripheral vascular device undertaken using a suitable scoring system?	Review documentation ensuring continuing need is recorded or peripheral vascular device is removed if no longer required.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2	Has the peripheral vascular device been removed where there is redness, pain, inflammation or extravasation?	Check site.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3	If peripheral vascular access is still required after 72hrs, has the peripheral vascular device either been replaced or has the clinical reason for retaining the original device been documented?	Check documentation.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4	Is the dressing intact?	Check dressing.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5	Is hand hygiene performed prior to handling or manipulating the peripheral vascular device? (90)	Observe practice. Moment 2 - before an aseptic task.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6	Are injection ports and catheter hubs disinfected prior to each access with chlorhexidine 2% in alcohol 70% impregnated swabs?	Observe practice.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7	Are intravenous lines and associated connections dated according to local policy?	Check for date on lines and connections.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8	Are intravenous lines and associated connections changed according to local policy?	Check documentation.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9	Are giving sets used for intermittent infusions disposed of at the end of the infusion and not re-used?	Observe practice.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10	Is hand hygiene performed immediately following removal of personal protective equipment? (20, 90)	Observe practice. Moment 3 - after body fluid exposure.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Question Set Comments/Recommendations for PVD Continuing Care PIT - Continuing Care

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