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| Discontinuing An IV Needle / Catheter | | | | NO. 47 | |
| PURPOSE: To remove a discontinued IV per physician order, due to infiltration, discontinued medication, or site change per facility protocol.  EQUIPMENT: Tape  2x2 gauze  Gloves  PROCEDURE:  1. Gather equipment.  2. Identify patient and explain procedure.  3. Wash hands, don gloves.  4. Remove protective dressing carefully while stabilizing catheter.  5. Remove catheter quickly and smoothly. Do not press down on tip of needle while in vein.  6. Apply pressure gauze (2x2) and tape.  7. Discard catheter tip in needle disposal receptacle.  8. Remove gloves and discard. Wash hands.  9. Monitor site for bleeding.  10. Document removal of intact catheter in the nurses notes and on IV site assessment sheet. | | | | | |
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