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**CENTRAL VENOUS ACCESS CATHETER SAFETY OVERVIEW**

**You have been provided, Handout PE #14063 Central Venous Access Catheter Safety providing:**

- An introduction to your:
  - Midline or peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC)
  - Cuffed (Tunneled Central Line)
  - Implanted Arm or Chest Port
- Definitions of Key Terms
- Safety Tips and Troubleshooting any problems with your central line
- An overview of taking care of a central line
- How and when to change the dressing
- How and when to flush the line

**KEY POINTS**

- Wash your hands before and after doing anything with your line
- Always be sure there is fluid in the line (never any air)
- Be sure the line is clamped and ends capped when not in use
- Put only the medicine or fluid in the line as you have been told
- Keep all equipment clean
- Wipe with 2 alcohol pads on the cap before using the line
- Keep the line covered with sterile dressing
- Change the dressing at least once a week or if it gets wet or dirty
- Read the "Troubleshooting" chart carefully and follow the directions
- Keep emergency numbers handy so you can call if you have any questions or concerns

The information is for all patients who have central lines.

The following are special instructions for you:

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For questions or concerns call \_\_\_\_\_

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