

It only takes a minute to check your catheter.

Check your catheter every day.

Look



Feel



Did you notice anything different when you checked your catheter today?

No change.



Yes, a change.



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Look

It is **clean and dry**,
and it **covers the exit site**
(the place where
the catheter comes out
of your skin)

Look at your
catheter dressing
in the mirror.

The dressing **does not**
cover the exit site,
it is **wet or dirty**,
there is **blood or pus**
on the dressing.



Looking good!



*Contact your dialysis
care team if you notice
any "stop" signs!*



Feel

*Do not remove the catheter dressing!
Feel over the
dressing.*

It is **dry** and there is
no pain in the area
under the dressing.



The catheter dressing is **wet**,
you have **pain** in the area
under the dressing,
something feels different,
or you think you have a **fever**.



Good to go!



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Look at your catheter dressing in the mirror.

It is **clean and dry**, and it **covers the exit site** (the place where the catheter comes out of your skin)



The dressing **does not cover the exit site**, it is **wet or dirty**, there is **blood or pus** on the dressing.



Feel

Feel over the catheter dressing. *Do not remove the dressing!*

The dressing is **dry** and there is **no pain** in the area under the dressing.



The dressing is **wet**, you have **pain** in the area under the dressing, **something feels different**, or you think you may have a **fever**.



If you notice any of the red "stop" signs during your daily catheter check, follow these instructions IMMEDIATELY:

Contact: _____

During regular facility hours _____

After hours _____



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